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MME. C. J. WALKER'S RETURN HOME

An Enjoyable Trip of Three Months Spent in Visiting Jamaica, Haiti, Panama and Other Points.

SENATOR CULLOM A FRIEND OF THE NEGRO!

Mr. Emmett J. Scott, Secretary of Tuskegee Institute, Visits City Enroute Home from New York—Rogers & Creamer's "Old Man's Boy," which Filled a Successful Engagement at the Howard Last Week, to Play a Return Date—Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis Making a Successful Tour of the South.

(Bureau of the Freeman, Washington D. C.)

Madame C. J. Walker, the well-known hair culturist and president and owner of the Madame C. J. Walker Manufacturing Company, of Indianapolis, Ind., who has now become an international character, has returned to "The States," after a delightful sojourn in the West Indies and is at her palatial home in the Hoosier Capital, brimful of information concerning the good people of the islands she has been visiting and optimistic touching the future of the Negro here and everywhere she has had an opportunity to study his environment and possibilities. She believes in her race. She is confident that the Negro can succeed, because she has succeeded in the face of the most discouraging circumstances. She cannot see why others cannot rise as she has risen, if they will but make up their minds to do so and evince a disposition to make the sacrifices necessary to accomplish big things amid the keen competition of these modern times. "But, that's another story."

Judging from reports that have reached us, Madame Walker is about as popular in the far away West India islands as here in America—and Washington, where she made a pronounced hit last fall, speaking in all the churches and filling space in the dailies. It seems that this broad-minded and big-hearted woman's enviable reputation preceded her to the Islands. As a consequence, on her arrival she found that for a time she had to forego all thoughts of business and bow to the will of the people in their desire to show her social courtesies. They had made elaborate preparation and arrangements to entertain her and to indicate their estimation and appreciation of this hustling, philanthropic and enterprising business woman.

Madame Walker left Indianapolis October 1, accompanied by her niece, Miss Anjetta Breedlove, and her chauffeur, Mr. Otho Patton, motoring to new York City in her own high-powered Ford car. She spent a few days in the metropolis at her branch establishment, 108 West 136th street, purchased by Madame Walker about a year ago at the eastern headquarters for her large and growing business. This branch is in charge of her daughter, Mrs. Lelia Robinson, who came from Pittsburgh to assume the supervision of the work in New York, after securing a competent forelady to take care of the establishment in the Smoke City.

After a charming visit of a few days in New York with her daughter and friends, Madame Walker sailed November 8 on the steamer "Oruba" for Kingston, Jamaica, arriving at her destination five days later. At Kingston the high officials and business men vied with one another in extending to her the hospitality of their country. Writing of the habits and customs of the natives in the West Indies, her "chief delight," as she puts it, was taking long trips in her car with friends from city to city in this most beautiful country. A favorite pastime of the natives and which was keenly enjoyed by the Madame and her party, was long moonlight sails over the wind-kissed waves of these summer seas. Writers tell us that nothing is better calculated to lure one away from business cares than a boat ride by night on these calm and balmy waters, where island after island seem to rise out of the very sea, garlanded and hedged, as they are, by a most beautiful, varied and luxuriant plant life.

From Kingston, Madame Walker went to Port-au-Prince, Haiti, and it is reported that the citizens there outdid themselves in making her stay one continuous round of pleasure. Introduced to the official family of that loyal and patriotic people—the descendants of the proud Toussaint l' Ouverture—Madame Walker became the center of attraction. So universal was the welcome extended her that she found it difficult to say "good-bye" to this island and its hospitable people.

Proceeding to Jamaica, Madame Walker managed, after several weeks, to "get down to business." She was gratified to observe that it was only necessary to mention her business to secure more orders for goods than she could possibly supply. She was more than successful in introducing and establishing her goods in all parts of the country, and found more people willing to work than she could think of employing as agents to represent her in their respective islands. Spending the holidays at Kingston, Madame Walker left for Colon, Panama, and the Canal Zone, from which region she sailed for home after a period of gayety and business combined, feeling refreshed and invigorated by the panoramic scenes and varied personalities with which she had been regaled throughout her season abroad. She has been asked to give a series of platform talks of her travels and experiences, and may accede to some of the requests, if her time will permit.

The Negro race in America has not a more interesting or more unique character than Madame C. J. Walker. Her picturesque and meteoric career reads like a romance, and her success is the outcome of a genius for business that comes to but few of any race in a generation.

TUSKEGEE'S SECRETARY IN TOWN.

Mr. Emmett J. Scott, secretary of Tuskegee Institute, passed through the city Sunday en route southward from New York City, where he had been attending the sessions of the Jeans Fund Board, representing Dr. Booker T. Washington, who was detained at Tuskegee Institute by important school work. Mr. Scott is looking the picture of health, and speaks optimistically of he outlook for the schools of the South that are being aided by the income from the million dollar bequest of the late Anna T. Jeanes of Philadelphia. Tuskegee Institute is on a tidal wave of prosperity, judging from Mr. Scott's description of the new buildings that have gone up in recent years and of the many plans for the extension of the work that has astounded the civilized world in the past two decades. Mr. Scott is also corresponding secretary of the National Negro Business League, and has held this responsible post ever since the founding of the league in Boston in 1900. He is the ideal man for the place, as the phenomenal growth of the organization has demonstrated. Mr. Scott expects the Muskogee meeting next August to be one of the very best of the long and enjoyable series.

ROGERS AND CREAMER'S "OLD MAN'S BOY" TO RETURN.

So successful was last week's engagement of Rogers and Creamer's Negro players in "The Old Man's Boy" at the Howard that a return of the excellent company has been arranged for. The natural acting of Mr. Alex Rogers and the expert stage management of Mr. Henry S. Creamer have put them on the highest pinnacle of favor with Washington's critical audiences and they want to see more of them. These producers have discovered, as Anson of the original Chicago Cubs did in baseball, that the best way to secure competent players in theatricals is to get them while they are young, virile and ambitious and develop them along the line of their best capabilities. The bulk of the company presenting "The Old Man's Boy" comes from the young people who have had training in amateur theatricals in and about St. Philip's P. E. Church in New York City, and they have been ripened for the road under the careful tutelage of Rogers and Creamer. If they will stick to their instructors and grow up with the company, taking advantage of the golden opportunity offered them, they will find themselves eventually in a position to win high places in the dramatic world, commanding salaries that might never have come their way under other circumstances. With Rogers and Creamer "the play's the thing," and they make no restrictions as to how big a "hand" any performer may get—the bigger the better, for it all goes to the credit of the show. Everybody has a chance. Billy Harper makes the most of a "fat" comedy part, and ranks with the stars in his unique conception of the happy-go-lucky Negro. Charles Gilpin is a finished actor and his "Uncle Remus at the Races" is an admirable piece of character portraiture. Of the ladies, winsome Ruth Cherry, the dancing wonder, stands out in the picture, and the queenly personality of Miss Grace LeCook is impressive, while Miss Alice Gorgas shines brilliantly as the prima donna. The music is catchy, and the dances are well put on. Miss Jessie Ellis shows to advantage with Mr. Creamer in "Brazilian Dreams." Many other features are worthy of notice. The production is far out of the ordinary and must be seen to be appreciated. In our next, we shall give a brief interview with Mr. Rogers on "The Outlook for the Negro Player." He has given the subject much thought and reaches some helpful conclusions, born of wide experience in stage life.

THE NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

J. Finley Wilson's hat is said to be "in the ring" for grand exalted ruler of the Elks.

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The Mu-So-Lit Club will observe "Douglass-Lincoln Day" on the 13th of February.

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Edward Tolliver, well known in local circles as a performer of marked talent, is wintering at Palm Beach, Fla.

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Assistant Superintendent R. C. Bruce has purchased the property at 1442 Corcoran street as an investment.

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The Howard University Dramatic Club will present Sir Edward Bulwer-Lytton's classic play, "Richelieu," Saturday evening, February 21, at the Howard theater. The cast is said to be an adequate one. The production will be given under the management of A. H. Tavennier.

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Dr. J. E Shepard, the energetic young principal of the National Religious Training School at Durham, N. C., was in the city a few hours last week. He is planning an extended tour of the great west and will go as far as the Pacific coast, where a warm reception awaits him. The school at Durham has taken on new life and is filling a long-felt want in the Old North State.

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Former Register J. C. Napier has gone to his home in Nashville, Tenn., following a brief visit here, en route from the Jeanes Fund Board meeting in New York City.

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February 10 will be "Lawyers' Night" at the Bethel Literary and Historical Association. Counsellor W. Justin Carter of Harrisburg, Pa., will be the speaker.

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Mr. Joseph H. Douglass is giving violin recitals in the South.

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Miss Henrietta Vinton Davis, the race's premier elocutionist, has just completed a tour of South Carolina, and is putting in this week at Fayetteville, N. C., and vicinity. She is presenting a repertoire of dramatic readings and instituting lodges of Malachites, meeting with great success in each calling. Miss Davis will spend several weeks in the Southland, preliminary to a return engagement in Jamaica, Panama, the Canal Zone and Costa Rica.

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Word reaches here of the death of Mrs. Lottie Wilson-Moss, who passed away January 22 at Niles, Mich., where she has made her home in recent years. Mrs. Wilson-Moss was an artist of rare ability and for a number of years lived in this city. Portraits of Sojourner Truth, Abraham Lincoln, Frederick Douglass and Booker T. Washington are among her best works. Mrs. Wilson-Moss was a woman of fine character, of social graces and possessed a personal magnetism that endeared her to a host of friends all over the country.

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Rogers and Creamer's "Old Man's Boy" company went to Baltimore Sunday to fill a week's engagement.

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Mr. Hugh E. Macbeth, formerly editor of the Baltimore Times, who has located in Los Angeles, Cal., writes from his new home that he is delighted with the country and the people there. He has entered upon the practice of law and won his first case before he was half through with his carefully prepared argument. Mr. Macbeth will write a syndicate article showing up the resources of the "glorious climate of California" and his impressions of the social, commercial and economic conditions he finds there. Mr. Macbeth is so well pleased with Los Angeles he wonders why he did not start for this El Dorado sooner.

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The new Normal School No. 2 may be named in honor of George Francis Train Cook, a former superintendent of Washington's public schools, and under whose administration the normal school was founded. Dr. Lucy E. Moten is an ardent advocate of this plan.

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Dr. J. E. Moorland, international secretary of the Y. M. C. A., is to conduct a campaign for a $100,000 building for the colored people of Nashville, Tenn.

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Mrs. Maud Cuney Hare, the noted singer, assisted by Mr. William H. Hutchinson, are to appear in an illustrated recital February 27 at the Howard theater as the pre-Lenten attraction of the Washington Conservatory of Music. The concert will be under the immediate auspices of Mrs. Harriet Gibbs Marshall, principal of the conservatory.

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The death of former Senator Shelby M. Cullom removes one of nature's noblemen. Throughout a public service of fifty years or more, he was a consistent advocate of the rights of man, and he rendered yeoman service in behalf of the Negro race in the field and on the forum. He came of the sturdy stock from which the immortal Lincoln sprang, and there was much in common between them. The right-hand man and almost constant companion of Mr. Cullom for many years was Mr. Charles J. Pickett, who was associated with the senator while the latter was chairman of the committee on foreign relations and who remained with him because he became resident commissioner for the erection of the Lincoln memorial. Senator Cullom never tired of singing the praises of Mr. Pickett and his confidence in the faithful colored assistant enabled the latter to serve his race substantially when measures of interest to the Negro were pending in the senate.

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A bouncing baby girl, weighing seven and a half pounds, has made its appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Hoill, 906 T street northwest. Everybody's happy!

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The Department of Sociology, Howard University, Tuesday evening presented Mr. George E. Haynes, professor of economics, Fisk University and director of the National League on Urban Conditions Among Negroes, who spoke informingly on "Problems of the City Negro." These lectures are being conducted under the direction of Prof. Kelly Miller dean of the College of Arts and Sciences of Howard University.

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The Twenty-fourth Infantry has one more year to serve in the Philippines. The famous regiment is now stationed at Camp McGrath, Bantangas, the fourth place it has occupied since its arrival in the islands two years ago.

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Mrs. J. S. Jackson, the accomplished wife of the financial secretary of the A. M. E. Zion church, spent a few days of last week in the city, the guest of Mrs. J. W. Smith at the Episcopal residence, 1309 R street northwest. Mrs. Jackson was en route to Philadelphia, her former home.

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Rev. George C. Clement is reorganizing the forces at Galbraith A. M. E. Zion church, and is proving to be a popular pastor. He is editor of the Star of Zion, but is filling out the conference year at the charge made vacant by the transfer of Rev. S. L. Corrothers to Philadelphia.

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Bishop Alexander Walters will be in the city Sunday and will fill the pulpit at the morning service at John Wesley A. M. E. Zion church.

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Dr. Julia P. H. Coleman, president of the Hair Vim Chemical Company, is mentioned as a future member of the board of education.

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The municipal judgeship problem has not been settled and the fate of Judge Robert H. Terrell, along with four others, still hangs in the balance.

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The Home and School Association of Patterson School held an interesting session last Thursday evening at the Adventist church, in which the kindergarten classes are located for the present. Miss Florence M. Williams, president of the association kindergarten principal, gave a splendid demonstration of the work of her classes, and Mrs. James E. Buckner, formerly kindergarten teacher in Louisville, Ky., read a delightful paper on "The Kindergarten: Its Relation to the Child and the Home." Mrs. Rosetta E. Lawson lauded the kindergarten as the starting point of the child's real development, and Miss Williams expressed the gratification of the school that there was present such a large and representative audience of Washington's patrons of education.

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The new Normal School No. 2 on Georgia avenue, between Howard place and Fairmount street, was inspected Monday by the District commissioners, who expressed themselves as well pleased with the work of the contractors. The building is a magnificent one and sets on an eminence overlooking the city, near Howard University. An excellent front view of the structure may be obtained at the corner of U street and Vermont avenue, and it makes quite a change in the skyline of upper Seventh street. The building is two stories in height, with a commodious basement, and has fifty-eight rooms. Dr. Lucy E. Moten is principal of the school and has held this position for practically thirty years. The new structure is a monument to her ingenuity and persistence, and is one of the crowning events of the administration of Assistant Superintendent Roscoe Conkling Bruce.

NEWS OF EVANSVILLE, IND.

(By Benita L. Morrow.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mrs. Susie Smith has returned home after a vacation since Christmas in Belvedere, Ill., with her sister and at Paducah, Ky., with her daughter.----Mr. Cook, of South Governor street, left Atkinson, Kansas, with his aunt, Mrs. Fredonia Gilbert, on February 1, en route for Evansville, where Mrs. Gilbert will probably make her home.----On Feb. 16th, at the Castle Hall, the Odd Fellows will have their anniversary. The program will be in next week's issue.----Mrs. Mary Eastwood, of the west side, met with a small accident last week when she stepped through a hole in the church which they were remodeling.----The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Wallington is ill with smallpox.----Mrs. Cordelia Gordon left Sunday for Terre Haute to visit her mother and daughter.----Mrs. Sallie Porter of Bland ave., is ill.----Mrs. Mary Ellis, of Mitchell street, is ill.----Mrs. Lucy Berry of John street is ill.----Mrs. Rosa Clemmons, who has been ill for a short while, is improving.----Mrs. Willie McFarland is improving.----Mrs. Francis Lynch has been indisposed for the last few days.----Mr. Pete Barksdale, one of the partners of the Little Gem theatorium, is still on the sick list.----Mr. John Barnard returned home last week for a six weeks' lay-off. Mr. Barnard, former one of our high school students, has a job as second cook on a Pullman.----Don't forget the "Cafe" to be opened by Messrs. Edgar Booze and Shirley Arnold.----There was a mistake in last week's paper about "Mrs. Beeze". It should have been Mr. Booze has gone to Chicago on business.----Mrs. Ellen Cook and Mrs. Lizzie B. Woods were the guests of Mrs. Mary L. McKee last Wednesday.----The Missionary Society of Liberty Baptist church is doing much good. The president, Mrs. Noel and members wish all the ladies of the church to attend. The meeting on last Thursday was held at the church.----Miss Amelia Shelby and Mr. James Talbott were married last Wednesday week.----If you want to see and learn all of the new dances just visit Castle Hall. If you want to learn the "news" just read the Freeman. But last of all if you want to please the agent just pay her.

SOUTH BEND NEWS.

(By Wm. DeLyons.)

Special to The Freeman.

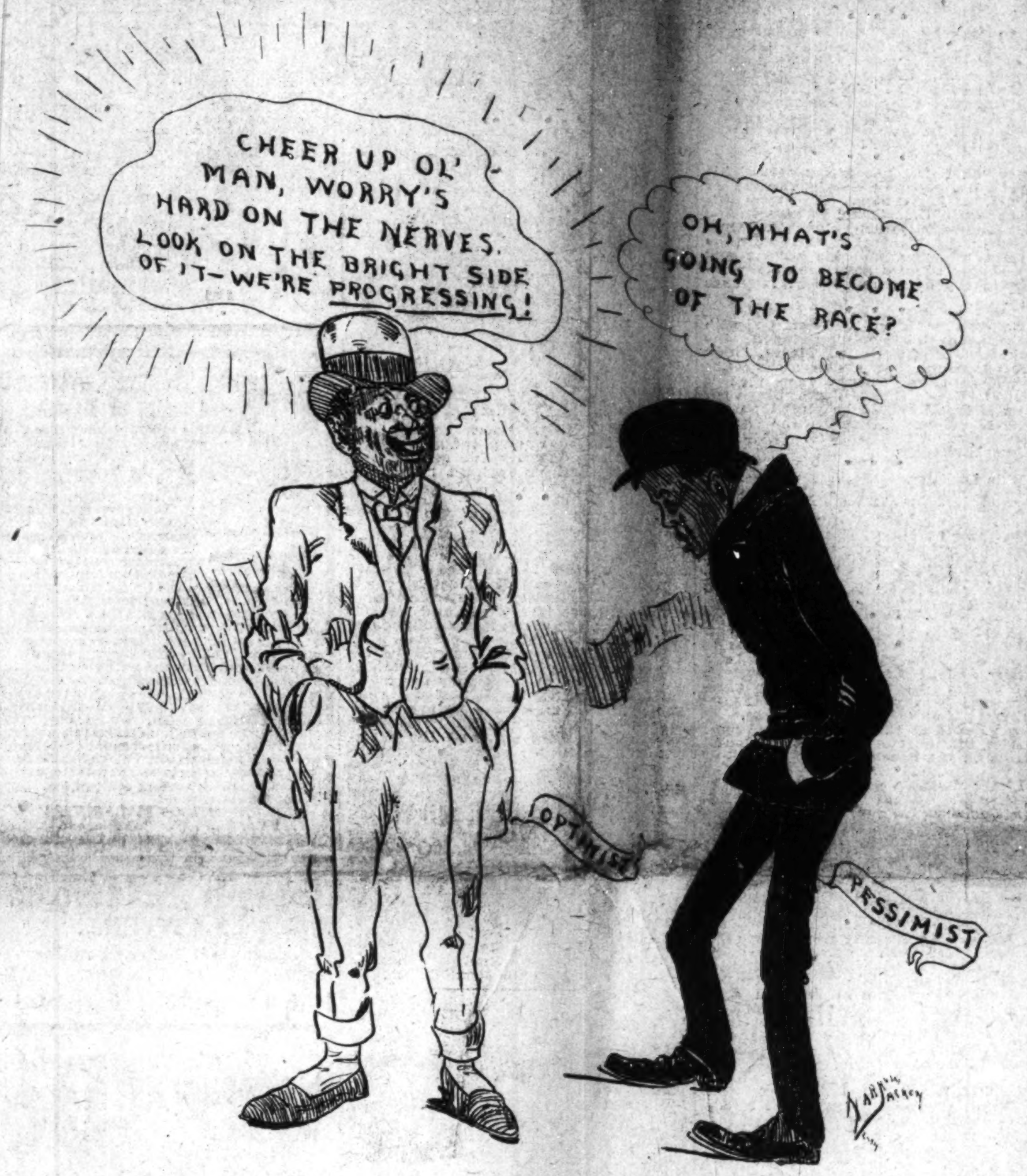
Mrs. William Manning has returned home after an extensive visit in the south.----Your reporter, William DeLyons, is able to be back to work again after a week's illness. I wish to thank my many friends for the courtesies shown me while I was indisposed.----Mr. J. W. Thomas was admitted to the bar of St. Josephs county on January 27th. We wish Mr. Thomas much success. There is a fine field here for a colored lawyer and we believe Mr. Thomas is the right man and fully prepared to discharge the duties of a competent attorney. Mr. Thomas is a graduate of Morgan College, Baltimore, Md., and also a Bachelor of Law from the Howard university Law School at Washington, D. C. ----As a response to the country-wide movement "Go to Church Sunday" the South Bend churches were well attended.----The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Watson died at their home 205 Pegen street, Friday Jan. 30th. The funeral services were held Sunday afternoon Feb. 1, 1914.----Mr. G. C. Clay and Mr. H. Hill have returned from Indianapolis, where they spent Saturday and Sunday in interest of the K. of P. Lodge.

AURORA, ILL.

Special to The Freeman.

Those on the sick list are Misses Nettie Cantrell, Claud Baker, Mrs. Wm. Russell.----Mrs. Mamie Fletcher of Chicago, spent the week-end in Aurora with Mrs. Emma May Weather.----Mrs. Cooper of Chicago visited Mrs. Emma Lucas Sunday.----Those attending the Sunday school convention in Chicago last week were Supt. E. A. Carter, Mrs. Sam. Bell and Mrs. Nora Spriggs.----The Philis Wheatly Embroidery Club met at Mrs. Agnes Durette, Friday, Jan. 30th, to elect its officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. John Morton succeeded Mrs. Emma Mayweathers as president.

IT ALL DEPENDS HOW YOU LOOK AT IT.


CHEER UP OL' MAN, WORRY'S HARD ON THE NERVES. LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE OF IT—WE'RE PROGRESSING!
OH, WHAT'S GOING TO BECOME OF THE RACE?
OPTIMIST
PESSIMIST

DISCIPLINE TUSKEGEE'S WATCHWORD

A Strict Military System is Maintained, with Major J. B. Ramsey as Commander of Cadets.

INSTRUCTIVE SHORT TALKS OF DR. WASHINGTON

There is no Such Thing as to Who Leads in Styles and Fashions at Tuskegee, but Who Looks the Cleanest, Does the Best and has the Purest Thoughts—In Various Ways Tuskegee is Teaching the Farmer to Increase the Productivity of the Lands, Lift Mortgages and Get the Most out of their Farms.

(By Cary B. Lewis.)

Tuskegee Institute, Ala., Feb. 4, 1914. Discipline is the watchword of Tuskegee. There is a military system with Major J. B. Ramsey, commandant of cadets. One of the most beautiful spectacles I ever witnessed was on the Sunday I was there and the student body marched to chapel, headed by the Tuskegee band. They resembled the famous Eighth regiment, marching down Michigan Avenue in Chicago. Major Ramsey headed the parade, Captain W. H. Walcott, Captain B. E. Ammons, Captain V. B. Daniels were in charge of the battalions. I have been told that the first day school opened thirty years ago, they marched in the chapel and have been doing so ever since. Every morning at 8:30, they assemble on the camp ground, drill, go through inspection and have a regimental drill and day students march to the administration building and are dismissed and then to their classes. During drilling, they become seasoned with idea of order, system, obedience and discipline, the things Tuskegee stands for and impregnates in each student. This discipline is observed in the class room, dining hall and work shop. I saw nearly 1,800 students eating quietly, yet joyously and there was no loud talking but splendid table manners observed. Students there who had never seen a silver knife and fork or table cloth; many who never knew what a regular bath was but as soon as a boy reached there Major Ramsey saw that he was turned from an unclean and unkept person to a clean, neat and industrious student. The Sunday I was there, Dr. Washington and the officer of the day escorted me through tht dining room where students were serving students and everything eaten came from off Tuskegee farm and raised by Tuskegee students. Upon this particular occasion, each table was decorated with flowers, ferns, limbs off trees and foliage. The four tables that were decorated he most beautiful received prizes.

EVERYBODY MUST WORK.

It was a beautiful sight. Every student had done his best to make his table win. It was hard to decide. The table food was good and wholesome and I ate every meal and gained two pounds a day. At Tuskegee everybody must work. You either go to school in the day or at night but you must work. One day is spent in the class room and the other in the factory or on the farm; taught how to do things, to build things and have the inspiration coming from the making of things actually to be used. This is the idea that has made the Washingtonian philosophy known the world over and this he has been doing for thirty-three years and on a larger scale today than ever. This is the idea that is changing the condition of the masses of the Negroes in the South. I visited every department and saw young men making clothes, young women making garments, young men building wagons and young girls making cakes and pies and oh how good they tasted; just like mother use to make. I linger in the printing department where the Tuskegee Student and twenty other papers are printed. Everybody connected with the Student feels that he is connected with something that people want all over the country; that they are doing big business, printing big ideas and being read by big people. Over in the Girls Department is Mrs. Booker T. Washingon as director; one stands in awe as they watch these young women work in the laundry, cullinary and millinery departments. She loves them all like she does her children and cares for them like a mother. Another impression that one gets that is lasting is the cleanliness of the school and grounds. I was fortunate in being quartered in the Administration Building. Mrs. Matthews had my room fitted up in first class style, clean as a pin and every room in all the boys dormatories was clean, light and airy. The landscape work is one of the wonders of the institution and you can readily read the sign in your mind everywhere "That cleanliness is next to godliness." In the kitchen where they bake and do the cooking is just as clean and sanitary as in the office of Principal Washington.

DR. WASHINGTON'S SHORT TALKS.

Not only is the grounds clean and all the buildings but the students and teachers are likewise. There is no such thing as who leads in styles and fashions, but who looks the cleanest, does the best and has the highest standard of thoughts. Every Sunday morning there is church in the chapel and Rev. Whittaker preaches. His sermons are but just the reverse; they are practical not out of the reach of his audience and instructive and team with good advice. At night Dr. Washington gives what he terms, "short talks," and they are masterpieces; many I have read in the Tuskegee Student. I heard him tell the students about associating themselves with big things and big ideas and immediately thereafter Mrs. Jennie Lee directed a choir of 100 voices, then the band and symphony orchestra, a solo from the Massiah and the school singing; it was grand and glorious and a moment I shall never forget. Tuskegee is spreading its influence all over Macon County. There are a number of extension activities; teachers' institute, annual Tuskegee Negro conference, Tuskegee Town Mother's meeting, Building and Loan Association, County Fair, Y. M. C. A., Farmer's Institute, Negro Business League, Tuskegee Savings Bank, Village Improvement Association, Jesup Agricultural Wagon, new hospital building and other organizations doing practical work which helping Macon County to become the strongest and most influential in the state of Alabama. In various ways Tuskegee is teaching the farmers to increase the productivity of their lands and to lift mortgages from their farms and get the most out of their lands by skilled and scientific labor.

Tuskegee like all great institutions that are progressing need improvement. Some months ago the school employed a competent engineer who made a careful study of the grounds and laid out a scheme by which these improvements can be made in a way that will last for an indefinite period of time. In detail, the work needed to be done, and the expenditure involved in each item is as follows: new buildings involving the consolidation of several boiler plants, $51 130; railroad extension, $5,800; boiler, engine, generators, motors, etc., $41,000; power piping and steam, $465.00; miscellaneous expenses, $10,000; engineering and superintendence, $8,000; water supply and fire protection (complete), $39,809; sewage and plumbing, $15 000; a total of some $238,057.22. Dr. Washington is making an earnest appeal to all the citizens of this country to contribute something, however small, toward this much needed improvement.

The City's Employees.

The school, the city of Tuskegee and its astounding educational facilities all can be laid at the feet of Dr. Booker T. Washington. He has crowned the school with glory, it is known throughout the civilized world; he has had great supporters and one of the most important and prominent of these is Mr. Emmett J. Scott, formerly his private stenographer, but now the secretary of the institute. There surrounds his a cabinet or council of members who are heads of various departments. They are as follows: Mr. Warren Logan, treasurer; Mr. J. H. Washington, General Superintendent of Industries; Mr. J. B. Ramsey, commandant; Prof. G. W. Carver, director, Experiment Station; Rev. J. W. Whittaker, chaplin; Mr. E. T. Atwell, business agent; Mrs. B. T. Washington, charge of Girl's Industries; Prof. R. R. Taylor, Director of Mechanical Industries; Prof. J. R. E. Lee, Director of Academic Department; G. H. Gibson, Resident Auditor; J. H. Palmer, Registrar; J. A. Kenney, M. D., Medical Director; Miss S. H. Porter, Dean of Woman's Department; C. J. Calloway, Extension Department; D. A. Williston, Charge of Buildings and Ground; George R. Bridgeforth, Director, Agricultural Department and G. L. Imes, Dean of Phelps Hall Bible Training School. There is Mr. T. Campbell, who is representing the U .S. government in farm demonstration work. Mr. J. B. Washington is postmaster, Mr. Tracy Brannum, assistant and Miss N. W. Davis, clerk. Mr. Robert N. Gover is cashier of the Tuskegee Savings Bank. In the principal's office will be seen Mr. Emmett J. Scott, Mr. Charles H. Fearing, assistant to the secretary; Mr. Nathan Hunt, stenographer; Miss Margurite D. Hodges, Boston, stenographer; Mr. George M. Moore, stenographer; Miss M. Edyth Williams, filing clerk; Mr. E. Davidson Washington, clerk; Miss Mary Cummings, stenographer; Miss Grace I. Elliott, stenographer; Miss Edna M. Clamton, stenographer; Monroe N. Work, Division, Records and Research; William M. Rakestraw, Tuskegee Negro Conference Agent, and John C. Moultree, Circulating Agent.

Aside from these friends and helpmates at Tuskegee, Dr. Washington has as his close advisors, Mr. William H. Steward, Kentucky; Dr. George C. Hall, Illinois; Mr. Victor Tulane Alabama; Hon. George L. Knox, Indiana; Mr. J. H. Porter, Ohio; Hon J. C. Napier, Tennessee; Dr. Graham, Virginia; R. R. Moton, Virginia; Hon. Harry S. Cummings, Maryland; Hon. Fred R. Moore, New York; Mr. Walter P. Hall Pennsylvania; Judge Robert H. Terrill, Washington, D. C.; Richard W. Thompson, Washington, D. C.; Ralph Tyler, Ohio; Hon. Charles Banks and Hon. Isah T. Montgomery, Mississippi; Hon. Benj. Davis, Georgia; Hon. M. M. Lewey, Florida; Hon. J. E. Bush, Arkansas; and others. Through the instrumentality of this school and its many friends, colored and white, a wonderful influence for good is constantly going on for the good of the race. Out of a small beginning, the genius of Mr. Washington has developed an institution and an educational plant that now consists of 2,345 acres of land and 110 buildings, used for dormitories, recitation halls, shops, barns, hospitals, dining hall, chapel and library. This plant including land, buildings, equipment, stock and personal property is $1,300,000, exclusive of 19,910 acres of land remaining unsold from land grant of 25,000 acres from Congress, valued at $300,000 and the endowment fund of $1,401 926.70. To my mind this is wonderful. If you wish to see a great school, a great city and feel the Tuskegee idea, visit this institution.

THE EAST END LIBRARY OPENING.
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Louisville, Ky., Special.

The new Colored Branch Library threw open its doors last week with fitting exercises. Representative citizens, white and colored, were on the program. The beautiful library, located at the corner of Hancock and Lampton street, is a beautiful building with all modern improvements. Mrs. Rochel Harris will serve as Senior Assistant, while Mrs. Lillie Edwards will serve as Junior Assistant, Mrs. McIntyre as Substitute. Mrs. Blue will be Supervisor over both branches. One of the features of the new east end branch is that a large play room has been arranged for the children, also special rooms for social settlement work.

Mr. P. A. Reese, a well known citizen, who has been ill for some time, died this week and was buried with impressive fraternal ceremonies Thursday afternoon, Messrs. Bowman & Wilkinson having charge of the funeral services.

Endowment and Industrial Bureaus of the K. of P. Lodges met in this city Saturday and Sunday. Important business was transacted and it seems from the present outlook that the Pythians in the next 18 months will have a beautiful structure at 10th and Chestnut street. This important meeting brought out a large crowd of representative Pythians from all over the state. Lunch was served at the residence of Sir Knight G. G. Young. Among the guests were Dr. T. T. Wendall and Cary B. Lewis.

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Short Thoughts

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Lots of people seem not to realize that it costs money to run a newspaper.

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A chronic "knocker" is invariably the first to "holler" libel, when he gets a dose of his own medicine.

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Anyhow, it isn't every negro editor who can be publicly denounced by two Presidents of the United States.

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The Grand Exalted Ruler of the Elks to be named at Norfolk, Va., in August, will be T. Gillis Nutter, the present incumbent, or a successor acceptable to him.

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Beaumont, Texas, will take excellent care of the National Sunday School Congress of the National Baptist Convention. Texas is a big state and knows how to do things on a big scale.

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A series of "Great Trials of History" is running in some of the papers of the country. The public is wondering if they will ever get down to "A Celebrated Case" pulled off in Washington in the fall of 1894.

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A famous authority on dietetics says those who chew their food thoroughly have the best chance of going to Heaven. The opinion of an expert is not needed to tell where the folks go who make a speciality of "chewing the rag."

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Charles H. Anderson, treasurer of the National Negro Business League, is the moving spirit of a newly-organized bank at Jacksonville, Fla., the firm name of the institution being Anderson, Tucker & Co. The bank was opened to the public on New Year's day.

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The lengthy editorial is a thing of the past with up-to-date opinion-moulders. Tell it quick and speak right to the point. The reading public already knows the salient facts, and you can give your conclusions hot off the reel with a certainty that the reasoning will be grasped and given the weight to which it is entitled.

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Cary B. Lewis has justly earned his right to a place in the front rank of American journalists. He won his spurs with Col. Henri Waterson on the Louisville Courier-Journal. Outgrowing the Kentucky metropolis, he invaded Chicago, and his advent and subsequent success have been a revelation to the denizens of that immense field.

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Without wishing to interfere with the functions devolving upon the President of the United States, there is a profound impression among the financiers of the negro race that if Dr. W. R. Pettiford, Jesse Binga or John Mitchell should be placed on the Federal Reserve Board, the honor would not be ill-bestowed. They are "some bankers."

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It is foolish for the various agencies of the race's uplift to fritter away precious strength in fighting one another. The proper thing to do is to turn their united guns upon the common enemy, each using the ammunition it knows best how to use. Remember the old code: "In the essentials, unity; in the non-essentials, liberty; in all things, charity!"

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M. M. Lewey is organizing a new company of Jacksonville capitalists to bring out The Florida Sentinel in a larger and better form. Mr. Lewey is one of the ablest editors in the business and was once president of the National Negro Press Association. He is a veteran of the civil war and runs one of the most complete job printing plants in the South.

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Under the masterful influence of Dr. Booker T. Washington, the local Negro Business Leagues everywhere are practically "reorganizing themselves." At Boston, Durham, N. C., Jacksonville, Fla., and other points, the men of business are seeing the advantage of co-operation and are getting together for mutual protection and commercial progress.

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The decision of the United States Supreme Court with reference to the validity of the so-called "grandfather clause" of the Oklahoma constitution is being awaited with feverish anxiety by hundreds of colored men of means, who will make the state their home, if the civic outlook is made to square with the intent and purpose of the federal constitution.

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Let us repeat what we have said before: Advertising is as much a part of a business as the rent, the insurance, light and clerk-hire. A clever business man never fails to allot a reasonable amount each year for placing his business before the people to whom he must look for his patronage. It pays to let folks know what you are prepared to do for them.

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Some thin-skinned folks can not understand that there can be differences of opinion that do not involve questions of veracity. Much depends upon one's point of view. Thus, that which is "satisfactory" to A is not always satisfactory to B, who is not less fastidious, but whose perspective of standards are different. Cocksureness does not necessarily mean correctness.

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Indications multiply in support of the prediction that the fifteenth annual session of the National Negro Business League at Muskogee, Okla., will be one of the greatest of the long series—if not really the greatest. It will bring many interested people into a new and promising country and numbers will be induced to locate there and help to make it the garden spot of the nation for the Negro race.

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Roscoe Conkling Simmons does not show up to advantage as a special pleader for the wrongdoer. That brilliant young orator and pensmith is strongest when militant for the right—for causes that appeal to his high sense of justice, fair play and manly straightforwardness. Rapping a friend or defending a sneak have not place in the make-up of Col. Simmons, ever frank, fearless and free-handed.

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The metal badge, issued by the National Negro Press Association, is a beauty. It was designed and manufactured by Gen. Joseph L. Jones, of the Central Regalia Company, Cincinnati, Ohio, and circulated by corresponding secretary Henry Allen Boyd, of the Press Association. The wearers of this badge are entitled to all the courtesies and privileges enjoyed by the reporters of the Associated Press or any of the dailies of the country.

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In the light of recent developments in Washington, the figure of the late C. H. J. Taylor looms larger and larger in the annals of history. Some think the astute politician and fearless foe of wrongdoers should be honored with a monument at the nation's capital, in recognition of achievements which no other leader has ever had the nerve to attempt. "There were giants in those days," and Taylor's rotund form measured up with the biggest and best of them.

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When we see two useful men struggling for a strangle-hold on each other's neck, we can not but deplore their inability to get together for the public good. If they can fight valiantly and effectively for destructive purposes, how much more valiantly and effectively could they not fight for constructive achievements! Usually such battles are for trifling reasons, and the masses view the "scrap" with mingled feelings of pity and contempt. Big men can not afford to make themselves small by tussling over small issues.

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Three hundred colored newspapers will be represented at the mid-winter session of the executive committee of the Negro Press Association at Nashville, Tenn., Friday and Saturday, February 13 and 14. The address to the country, issued by the Association, is a "bell-ringer." It calls attention to the inalienable rights of American citizens and asks for the Negro only a square deal, a man's chance to meet civilization's demands of manhood. The meeting will be a big success and go far to prove the effectiveness of the Press Association as a factor in the racial uplift.

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Colored reporters on white newspapers benefit the race and do not injure the circulation of the negro journals of the neighborhood. Each fills a certain niche in the scheme of race progress and each can help the other by working in harmony. The colored reporter brings the creditable doings of the negro before the class that ought to be made aware of them, and the negro papers specialize on personal matters that can not or will not be handled by journals of another race. Dr. Washington struck the nail on the head at the National Baptist Convention when he urged the colored people everywhere to see that their meetings and numerous helpful activities are written up for the white papers of their localities by trained and trustworthy colored reporters.

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Miss Annie Mae Vann, representing the Norfolk Journal and Guide, conceded to be the best subscription-getter in the country, has concluded a successful tour of the Carolinas. In Columbia and Florence, S. C., Miss Vann gathered 133 paid-up subscripers in a single week, and in the Palmetto state itinerary she added fully five hundred bona fide names to the circulation list of the Journal and Guide. What Miss Vann is doing, other energetic young women all over the land can do, if they will just make up their minds to do it. Why not try, young ladies? Miss Vann's story of how she "lands" the almighty dollar and makes the people feel good while parting with the coin was one of the delightful features of the Press Convention at Philadelphia last August.

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"The Negro Farmer," hailing from the town of Greenwood, just outside of Tuskegee, Alabama, is to make its appearance about the first of February. It is indeed "something2 new" and "something needed." It will be devoted to the interests of the 2,000,000 colored farmers in the nation, and bids fair to occupy among our people the influential relation held by "The Country Gentleman" among the Caucasian agriculturists of the land. The fact that the publishing corporation includes such noted persons as Dr. Booker T. Washington, Emmett J. Scott, Warren Logan, Charles H. Gibson and R. R. Taylor, is sufficient guarantee of its soundness as a business proposition. Isaac Fisher, a graduate of Tuskegee Institute, is to be the editor of "The Negro Farmer." The paper starts out with the best wishes of every Negro betwen the oceans and thousands of friends in the other race as well.

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J. B. Bell, of Houston, Texas, is a business man from his heart. He was the first man in the vicinity of Houston to submit to the United States income tax assessor his return of taxable property, as provided for under the new income tax law. Mr. Bell was born a slave in 1858, and left his home in Georgia at the age of three years to make his fortune in Texas. He is a real estate dealer with an annual gross income of nearly $6,000, the greater part of which is derived from the rentals of forty-six residences owned by him in Houston, where he has lived since his arrival in the Lone Star State. Mr. Bell is a member of the executive committee of the National Negro Business League and he is one of the most regular attendants at the annual sessions of that body. He is plain and unassuming in manner, but is immensely popular and influential because of his sincerity and straightforwardness in all his dealings with mankind.

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The "Trade Edition" of the Journal and Guide, of Norfolk, Va., was a triumph in Afro-American journalism, and Editor P. B. Young and his assistants can not be too highly praised for its conception and painstaking execution. The issue carried twenty-eight pages of interesting and informing matter, including many columns of first-class advertising that told an illuminating story of the commercial resources of the people of the Tidewater metropolis and of what they are doing for the substantial uplift of the race. The special features, write-ups of churches, schools and industries were admirably worked out, and the showing was creditable alike to the publishers of the Journal and Guide and to the citizens who are making Norfolk the trade center of the nation between New York and Jacksonville. It can be said with truth that Norfolk has never had a bigger or better advertisement than this "boom edition" of Brother Young's always live and enterprising paper. It may be timely to say here that Mr. Young's address at the Philadelphia meeting of the Press Association on "Circulation" was one of the very best delivered before that body, and he was very favorably mentioned in connection with the presidency of the organiaztion.

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Sidney Peton, Willie Thompson and Pro. Ed Davis brought the house down with a musical trio, their closing, "I Wonder Why" and "Right from My Heart" which was sweet and some singing. Miss Mamie Bell, as a little kid, sang "They Always Pick on Me" and takes an encore. The last on the bill was Wells & Hughes in a talking and singing act, with "I Wonder if I Will Always Be Out and Down." James, the male partner of team, has been with some high yellow girls and got broke and came back hunting for his old black gal, his meal ticket, who he had thrown down. He is all in. Miss Larue, in the part of his old gal, kept them screaming when she gave him money and told him she loved him, but don't mast her up. He go off to dress up. Miss Larue sing "He Don't Treat Me Right, But I Love Him Just the same," and had to come back three times. In come James after she has gone, talking about being on his feet again and he was going to his yellow and take her to the ball. But just as he starts off, his old gal has been listening all the time. So she tells him not to most her up. She out with a Colt and shoots and makes him take off everything she had bought and then makes him come on home with her in a barrel, and when the curtain drops the people like to patted theirself to death. They just screamed.

The last act opens with Election day in Coontown, by the whole company, Sidney Peton running for mayor and Bishop Brown. These two keep the house in plenty of comedy, and the people left saying it was the best show they ever saw. The Ewing & Wells Southern Bells Stock Co. were entertained at Miss Lea Andrew's, and had one of the times of their life.

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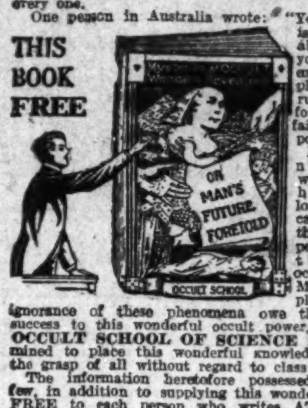

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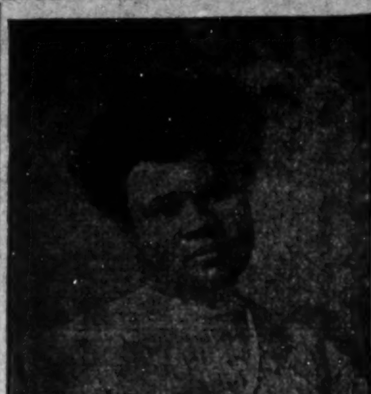

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MR. FRANK MALLOY GIVEN A SURPRISE—PUPILS PROMOTED TO HIGHER GRADES.

(By Nellie Early.)

JACKSONVILLE, ILL. (Special).

The Pleasant Hour Club met January 30th with Mrs. Anna Coleman. Prizes were awarded to Mrs. Ellen Chapman, Mrs. C. H. Freeman and Mrs. Grace Young. Excellent refreshments were served.----Among the sick are Mrs. Ellen Moore of Goltra avenue; Mrs. E. Mosly, Miss N. Shelby, Mrs. A. J. Jones, and Mrs. Burl, All are slowly improving.----Mrs. George Williams and son Luther of Chicago, were the guests recently of her father and other relatives here. She was formerly Miss Anna Carter of this city.----The Zouave girls gave a very successful supper January 27th at Mt. Emery Baptist church.----Miss Frances McDaniel, of W. Morton avenue, has recovered from an attack of mumps and tonsilitis.----Mrs. Alice Early who has been very sick is some better.----Mr. Charley Tinsley of W. Marion street, is working in Hannibal, Mo., for the paper known as The Protective League.----Deputy Sheriff Amos Duncan was in the city attending to business recently.----Miss Eva Barnes was accidently hurt in Springfield, Jan. 26th and is reported some better.----At the dedication of the Olive Branch Juvenile, Mrs. J. Brown was mistress of ceremonies, Jan. 19th. An excellent program was rendered. Miss Emma Caldwell spoke of "Society Settlement" and Dr. Kimmebrew ably addressed the audience. Drill was held by Mrs. J. McCree.----Mr. Ben Williams has returned from St. Louis, Mo.----Ray Ross was promoted to the second year of high school.----Mr. Clarence Roberts, of Springfield, Ill., who was here on account of illness, is able to be about. His youngest daughter is quite ill.----Mrs. W. A. Johnson is able to be about.----Miss Susie Lynch, who is working in St. Louis, Mo., was brought here to her home quite ill.----Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Parrish and daughter Ruby were Hannibal, Mo. visitors recently.----A very pleasant birthday party was given Jan. 27th, at the home of Mrs. Ethel Smith, 1002 N. Cox street.----Mr. Ollie Mack has returned from Chicago after spending the week-end visiting friends and reports a fine time.----Miss Jessie Allen has returned from Carrollton, where she was the guest of Mrs. Richard Clark.----Prof. Coffin, advanced agent for Blind Boon, is in the city making arrangements for his appearance in the city in the near future.----Mr. Frank Mallory was given a very delightful surprise at his home on S. Main street, Jan. 28th, by a number of his friends. The party members met at the residence of Mr. Killiam Parrish and proceeded to the residence of Mr. Mallory in a body. At a late hour substantial refreshments were served. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sharpe, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Rollins, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Parrish, Mr. and Mrs. W. Triplett, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Mallory, Rev. and Mrs. DeWitt, Miss Jane Turner, Miss Margaret DeWitt, Miss Laura Allen, Mr. Ollie Mack, Mr. Macon Saunders, H. E. Nasby, Misses Clara Davis and Jessie Allen assisted in the serving. The affair was planned by Ollie Mack and H. Eugene Nasby. It was a complete surprise.----The Universal Club met Jan. 22d at Mt. Emery Baptist church with a large attendance.----The chittling supper at the Second Baptist church Jan. 29th, was well attended.----Among the school scholars who were promoted to higher grades were Clarence Clark, eighth grade; Opal Bell, eighth grade; Elnora Lafayette, eighth grade. Others who were promoted to higher grades were Katharine Hayden, Gladys Hayden, Howard Johnson, Ethel Black, Christina Russell, Grace Shaw, Daniel Tinsley, George Miller, Fred Davis, Laura Johnson, Edward Mallory, Mary Johnson and Clyde Jackson. Hedbert Hyatt is the only high school graduate of our race. Huffaker House, Katharine and Frances Malone were promoted to higher grades. Also the Holt girls and Emma Mitcherson. The boys and girls of our city are pressing upwards in school work.----The election of trustees took place January 30th at the A. M. E. church and the following were elected: John Dunn, W. A. Johnson, Henry Powers, Leve Postley, J. E. Yates, R. Hyatt and Fred Davis. All are fine officers. Mr. Lexe Postley is a faithful member of the A. M. E. church and has been acting in the capacity of trustee for nineteen years and also nineteen years as stewart and eighteen years as class leader, he being well fitted for his office----The class meeting was largely attended Jan. 30th at the A. M. E. church----The chittling suppers given Jan. 29th and 30th at the A. M. E. church by the trustees were quite a success.----Mr. W. M. Cooper of 500 S. Clay avenue, is slowly improving from his illness.----The little son of Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Mounts is quite ill.----The Twilight Helpers elected officers for the following three months recently: The Twilight Helpers gave a very successful supper and concert recently at Mt. Emery Baptist church.----Miss Margaret DeWitt royally entertained at dinner Jan. 25th, Mrs. Jessie Allen, Mr. H. E. Nasby and Mr. Macon Saunders.

METROPOLIS OF ARKANSAS—NEGROES' FINANCIAL WORTH—MEN PROMINENT IN AFFAIRS.

(By Ralph W. Tyler.)

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—About four hours' ride out of Memphis, almost due west, brings one to this metropolis of Arkansas, a city of which the 20,000 Negroes, who live and thrive here, constitute nearly one-half of the total population. Little Rock is so far in the southwest, so far off among the pines and hills of the state whose name (part French and part Indian) implies "bend of the smoky water," that but few of us who live east of the Mississippi know how rapidly our race is forging to the front in this section. The per capita wealth of the Negroes of Little Rock is $92.10. When you consider that Arkansas is still largely a farming state; that this city with less than 75,000 population is by far the most pretentious municipality in the state; that these Negroes are but a half a century removed from slavery, and only twenty years removed from a period when school facilities stood only for the antonym for encouragement, this per capita wealth is a wonderful achievement.

The material advancement of any people emphasizes the educational progress, the opinion of the country-wise agitator to the contrary notwithstanding. But to prove that the Negroes of Little Rock are just as eager for brain wealth as they are for material wealth it can be said that there are seven public schools and two colleges for "higher education" here in this community of 20,000 Negroes, and seventy-eight Negro teachers in the public schools and fifty instructors of the same race, in the two colleges. There are fifteen Baptist, twelve Methodist churches, and one each of the Catholic, Congregational, Presbyterian and Episcopal denominations to inculcate Christianity and high moral ideas into this hustling Negro community.

The Negroes here are engaged in practically every line of business the dominant race is engaged in, save banking, and they are succeeding because of cooperation and their racial pride. The Negroes here have $350,000 invested in business enterprises, and own a trifle over one million dollars' worth of real estate. A very encouraging showing indeed. There are three lawyers, real lawyers, here, who enjoy a splendid practice; ten physicians who are the equal of any other ten that might be picked from among the white devotees of Esculapius; three skilful dentists, and more than a dozen retail merchants, not including a jeweler and three very excellent drug stores conducted by F. B. Coffin, W. O. Foster and W. E. Kellar. Little Rock has the only full-fledged, active colored female real estate dealer and broker I have met in my travels, in the person of Mrs. J. S. Pankey, and she holds her own along with F. A. Young, the successful masculine real estate dealer who is also colored. There are a number of grocery stores here conducted by men of the race, but the two most successful, and really up-to-date ones are those conducted by Luther Moore, who is also president of the Local Business League, and J. I. Blakely. Mrs. Helen Fleetwood, Mrs. Jennie Miller and Mrs. M. E. Jeffries, who are modistes with a very large and paying clientele, with Mrs. Pankey form a quartette of energetic, intelligent and successful Negro business women.

In my more than ten thousand miles traveled I have only met up with two Negro wholesale commission merchants and Little Rock has one of these in W. T. Taylor, who does a business of about sixty thousand dollars gross per annum., John E. Bush, National Grand Secretary of the Mosaics, is reputed to be the wealthiest Negro here, and he is the most public spirited and progressive the city affords. The splendid Mosaic temple rivaling the fine Odd Fellows temple at Atlanta, Ga., is a tribute to the energies and race interest of Mr. Bush. Few communities can boast of such public spirited race men as John E. Bush, Attorney Scipio E. Jones, C. R. Jordan, B. W. Jackson, Luther Moore, W. T. Taylor, and others, who reside in this city. In the Local Negro Business League Little Rock has a fine organization for the promoting not only of business among the race but in assisting to advance the race along every honorable and desirable line. The progress being made by the race here is most encouraging, and it demonstrates the power in organization and cooperation.

One who visits Little Rock can not leave without calling upon that old patriarch, that one of the three remaining of the "Old Guard," Judge Mifflin F. Gibbs. More than ninety years have rendered the Judge's motor members—his legs, a bit weak and uncertain, but his mind, still uncouded by years, is as keen as ever. I dropped in on him while here, and listened to his story of Litte Rock's growth from almost a pine forest, when he first located here, to a most pretentious city; listened to his story of the progress of the race, and the part he has played in that progress, from the time he was one of the "Fortyniners" who went with the "California or bust" crowd, in 1848, in quest of gold nuggets, down to the present time when his race controls more than a million dollars of real estate, and has more than three hundred and fifty thousand dollars invested in business in this city, he has seen grow, figuratively, from an acorn to an oak. Before the Judge retired, and that was a number of years ago, he was reputed to be one of the wealthiest Negroes in the country. Some years ago he told me he had fifty thousand dollars when he married—more than sixty years ago—and had never had a dollar less since. How much had been added to that fifty thousand he did not say. A Philadelphian by birth, a rugged westerner by adoption, he possesses still all the charm and conservatism of the natives of the City of Brotherly Love. From him I learned much about Little Rock, much about these among the finest, most hospitable and progressive of our race, who are registering a high water mark of business success out here in the Arkansas metropolis. The many beautiful homes owned and occupied by Negroes here, the splendid business houses in Ninth street, in the vicinity of the Mosaic Temple, and the high order of intelligence to be found among the twenty thousand Negroes here is evidence of a wonderful progress with which but few of us who reside east of the Mississippi have any idea of. Race prejudice only serves to redouble the southern Negro's efforts, and the magnitude of his achievements—and these achievements are surely and slowly perhaps, reducing this prejudice to a minimum. They are solving the problem in Little Rock—not discussing it.

FEMALE PROWLERS STRIPPING CLOTHES LINES.

Competitive Electric Lighting—Unity Lodge, A. F. and A. M. Given a Reception in Masonic Hall.

(BY J. E. W. CLARKE.)

HELENA, Montana, January 26.—The nice warm weather we are having this winter is increasing the size of the pocket books of the doctors. Just think, January ended and only once did the thermometer reach the zero point.

Helena received a lightning visit from M. G. Grayson of Chicago last week. Mr. Grayson came to Helena on special business for—well, he is not talking about it, but says he may return in a few weeks. Fine fellow, Grayson. Made a good impression on the Helena folk.

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Last week the writer's attention was attracted early Wednesday morning on seeing two women with an improvised tape measure, endeavoring to get the size of foot prints which appeared in their yard. A light snow had fallen in which dainty feet had left their impression, betraying the sex of the intruder. These two "Sherlocks" were securing evidence against the female prowler who stripped their clothes lines, while they peacefully slumbered, of nearly every article of choice lingerie and other wearing apparel. Mrs. Hettie Stevens, one of the loosers in this "touching" incident is very indignant, to say the least, and would no doubt, if the robber could be found find other use for the line and pole than supporting clothes.

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Sompetitive electric lighting in Helena will soon be a realization. The city fathers last Monday night passed an ordinance calling for a special election on March 28th to give the people of the city an opportunity to vote upon the question as to whether a 25-year franchise be granted a new company which will compete with the Helena Light and Railway Co. in supplying Helena's consumers with electricity. No doubt the voting will be strong in favor of this measure, as, for several years the people have complained of the high cost of electric power. A significant and interesting feature in the controversy before the Council was an appeal by a representative of the Electric Workers Union to the Council for an insertion of a clause in the franchise compeling the new company to hire none but union labor. This attempt was defeated.

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Prof. S. R. R. S. Stewart, pianist and baritone, left Helena Tuesday on a concert tour which will include Colorado, Wyoming, Missouri and states farther east.

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Thursday evening, the 22d, Bathsheba Chapter No. 10, O. E. S., gave a reception to Unity Lodge, A. F. and A. M., in Masonic hall. The hall was beautifully decorated with flags and the colors of the O. E. S. The many good things to eat set before the guests, would have satisfied the most exacting epicurean. The ladies having in charge the arrangements, seemed not to have spared themselves in an endeavor to make certain the success which was surely theirs. Short talks were made by many of those present, and the event closed to be regretted by all that each hour contained only sixty short minutes.

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Mr. George Campbell, who was called to Missouri on account of the death of his mother has returned.

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Mr. William Green, who for several months has been residing in Spokane is in town, having been called home on account of severe illness of his father, Mr. Andrew Green.

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Where are all the "after Christmas" weddings that loomed before us so proportionately awhile back. It looked bad for purses with small change. However, there is yet time for the poet says, "In the spring the young man's fancy lightly turns—," etc., etc. Widows, widowers, and others eligible beware.

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Before this issue of The Freeman is in the hands of Helena citizens procrastination will have robbed them of a great opportunity. All during the month of January 52 copies of The Freeman could be purchased for $1.00. Though you did not avail yourself of the liberal offer made by the management of the best and newsiest negro paper published, you will continue to do yourself an injustice if The Freeman is not in your home during the year of 1914.

NEWS OF MOBILE, ALA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Dr. Eward T. Belsaw, president Ala. Medical Assn., was one among the five principal speakers at the conference on the conservation of health, Tuskegee Institute, Ala., Jan. 21-23. Subject on program: "The Teeth the Greatest Source of Infection of the Human Body." The paper was very good, as his language could be easily understood by the large gathering of visitors, delegates, etc., from different states. The conference was a success from every point of view. Dr. W. F. Brown accompanied him on the trip. B. T. Washington presided over the body.----Prof. C. W. Hill accepted a position of manager of the colored department of the Post, with office at Packer Bldg., 510 Congress St.----Miss Anne Mollison, of Vicksburg, Miss., will remain in city till after the carnival, the guest of her sister, Miss Mabel Mollison.----The Musicale on Friday night, Jan. 30, at Franklin St. Baptist church, direction of Mr. E. L. Stevens Club, having Miss Cecilia A. E. Carter, soprano soloist, of New Orleans, La., the star, was largely attended. Some of our local talent assisted. It was a rare treat. Miss Carter has a sweet voice that is flexible and full of carrying power. To appreciate her qualities you would have to hear her. Mrs. J. B. Allen was the accompanist at the piano, and we are sure that the Mobile people will always turn out to such treats.----Rev. Chas. Crawford, the booster, has on foot inspection day among the various enterprises of the city, giving the people a chance to see what is being done among the race, sometime during the middle of February.----Do not forget the Freeman found in Mobile, at Gulf City Drug Store, Congress and Davis ave.

LEE'S, KY.

(By Mrs. Harry Cooksey.)

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Harry Banks, of Henderson, preached for us on the 18th inst. He delivered two able sermons for a young minister. We feel that success is his and wish him god speed. Rev. Joseph Marshall, our pastor, was with us Sunday, and preached two soul stirring sermons as he always does. He will be at Pleasant Hill, Sunday, where he is engaged in a revival.----Miss Nannie Richards, our worthy teacher, gave a spelling contest Saturday night at the church. Master Alonzo Walker captured the prize.----Mrs. George Moss is able to be out again after a short illness. Master Geo. William Moss has the whooping cough.----Mr. and Mrs. Ham Cooksey are the proud parents of a little son. His name is Aaron.----Mr. Raz. Cooksey is home again from Terre Haute.----Mr. Peter Radford, of Gracey, has moved in our vicinity and we gladly welcome them in our midst.----The entertainment at Race Creek church Saturday night was a success. A surprise birthday party was given Mr. Geo. Washington Smith, Monday night at his pleasant home by his wife and Miss Nannie Richards. Mr. Smith was sixty-six years old, a fine man and full of vitality. We hope he may live to see many more birthdays and enjoy them as he did this one. A salad course, cakes and ices were served. The birthday cake was cut by Mr. Smith. He received a number of useful presents. Miss Richards and his grandchildren presented him sixty-six switches and Mrs. Smith administered the whipping. But we think they were only love licks. Those present were Rev. and Mrs. Phillip Cabell and daughter, Miss Lou Vada; Mr. and Mrs. Jordon White, Mr. and Mrs. Young Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Hall Alves, Mrs. Geo. Moss, Mrs. Lizzie Hall from Henderson, Mrs. Harry Cooksey, Master Thos. Hatchett, Miss Nannie Richards and Mr. and Mrs. Virge Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cheatham, Mr. Thos. Sheets and several grandchildren.

PITTSBURGH, PA.

(By D. P. Dorsey, 248 Carrington St., North Side.)

Special to The Freeman.

On Sunday, Feb. 1st, at the Metropolitan Baptist church the Rev. James H. Holder, D. D., pastor, preached a soul-stirring sermon at 11 a. m. At 3:30 p. m. James Halford Holder spoke to the Missionary Circle. B. Y. P. U. and Sunday School well attended.----St. James A. M. E. church—The Rev. C. A. McGee, pastor, spoke at 10:45 on "Eternal Life" and at 7:45 on "The Wages of Sin."----The Rev. J. N. Gibbs, the newly installed pastor of Trinity A. M. E. church, Center avenue, has been received graciously by the officers and members and his pastorate gives promise of being successful in every particular. Rev. V. S. Lee, the farmer pastor, has accepted a call to Memphis, Tenn.----Mrs. Thomas Lloyd, of Milford street, who has been quite ill for the past two weeks, is reported much improved.----Mrs. Mary Scott Morgan, of Jersey City, accompanied by her sister, Miss Martha Dunn Scott of Wylie avenue, returned to her home in the east Saturday after a visit of several weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Scott.----Read The Freeman for all the news of the race. For sale by D. P. Dorsey, 248 Carrington street, N. S.----Mr. and Mrs. Garfield W. Lee, of 418 West Jefferson street, north side, entertained a few of their friends on last Sunday at a 6 o'clock tea. Covers were laid for twelve.----Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Daugherty, of 24 Watt street, gave a dinner Jan. 25th at their home in honor of the birthday anniversary of their son, John. Covers were laid for fourteen, those present including Mr. and Mrs. John Daugherty and daughter Dorothy; Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Daugherty, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. W. Norman Banks, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Jackson, Mrs. B. Austin and Miss Martha Brown.----Mr. and Mrs. John H. Williams, of Center avenue, are home from a short visit to Baltimore and Washington, D. C. Mr. Williams is a well-known railroad chef.----On Friday evening, Jan. 29th at South Side Market house, the Monticello's basket ball team defeated the Oberlin University team by the score of 40 to 9. Lineup, Monticello—Bell and Rickman, forward; Killbeen, center; Jackson and Lee, guards. Oberlin—Brooks and Mundy, forward; Tuck, center; Cowan and Wilson, guards.

GULFPORT, MISS.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Heslep visited Pass Christian, Miss., last Sunday.----Mr. A. E. Johnson, who has conducted a pressing club in Gulfport for several years, will leave for New Orleans, La., in a few days to reside. Mr. Johnson is a brilliant young man and his many friends regret his departure.----Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Cobb attended the M. E. church conference at Pass Christian last Sunday. Mr. Cobb owns a large grovery store and is a prominent business man.----Mr. Lynch J. Piernas, Bay St. Louis, Miss., student of Howard University, Washington, D. C., has recovered his health after several months' illness to the delight of his many friends and will soon return to the university.----Messrs. W. H. Smith, J. Simpson and A. E. Johnson attended the public installation, K. of P. at Handsboro, Miss., last week.----Mrs. A. W. Phillips was indisposed a few days last week, but has recovered and is out greeting her many friends.----Mr. L. F. Malone, one of our popular young men, spent last Sunday in Pass Christian.----Mr. J. M. Murray, one of North Gulfport's leading citizens, is suffering from an attack of la grippe. His many friends wish him speedy recovery.----Mr. A. J. LaBat, a rising young man, is preparing to enter Howard university, Washington, D. C. We wish him success.----The M. E. church conference, which was held at Pass Christian, Miss., last week, closed last Sunday. Bishop Thirkield preached a powerful permon Sunday morning and the conference was a success from every viewpoint.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO HOTELS AND LODGING HOUSES.

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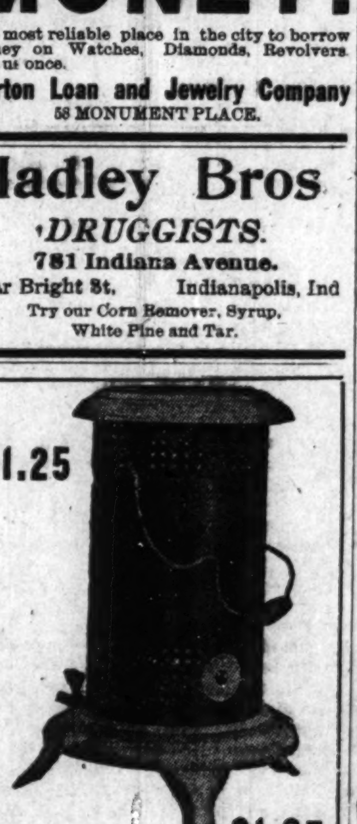

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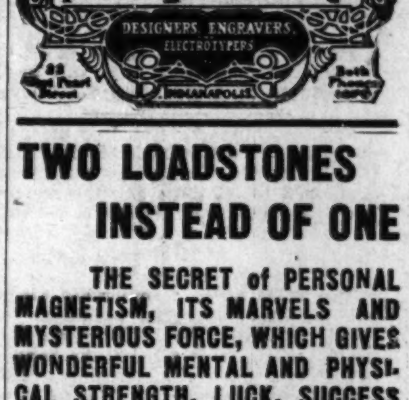

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Old winter's kind a tightening his grip, ain't he?

It's to be hoped that Judge Deery and Chief of Police Perrott will not have a cat and parrott of a time.

The Virginia Grand Lodge of K. of P. and the Supreme Lodge will have to learn to have more brotherly love.

President Wilson has lifted the embargo on the exportation of the munitions of war to Mexico. He has wisely concluded to let them kill themselves out. The belligerent spirits once dead it will be a long time before another crop ripens.

The Y. M. C. A. membership teams are making a vigorous campaign for 1,000 members. The Indianapolis Colored Y. M. C. A. is already the banner association as to membership. With the 1,000 members the splendid lead will be maintained for many a day.

A letter from Kalamazoo, Mich., calling attention to the treatment of the colored Masons who recently met there, said that a restaurant was opened up especially for the visitors, but no meal could be had for less than 45 cents. It looks as if the white folk and the colored folk got together on the poor visiting brothers.

Mr. Murphy, of Tammany fame, is doing a bit of squirming. He is getting a dose of his own medicine. The National Democratic Club of New York has demanded that he step aside as the chief of Tammany Hall. He is fighting for his political existence, basing his hope of success on a technicality. He challenges the method of the vote that asked his retirement from the head of that organization. Verily a drowning man grabbeth at a straw.

Senator Vardaman told President Wilson that he would oppose the confirmation of the nomination fo any colored man to office. This may not be authority, but it sounds very much like the senator from Mississippi. However, we can stand very much of him just so he lets that little pet of his sleep—reading the Negroes out of the constitution. The senator had special reference to the nomination of Judge Robert H. Terrell to succeed himself

By the large vote of 203 to 54, the House of Representatives at Washington opposed, this week, the proposed Asiatic Exclusion Act. The action of the house is held to be in the interest of our relations with Japan. It is a rather hopeful note to the colored races generally in that they are being considered at Washington. The traveler from the old world may not be the most hopeful object, yet in swinging castle garden wide open the basic principles of our country as a social organization remains—"the land of the free, the home of the brave."

It begins to look as if the president's term of office and the date of inauguration were to remain as they have been. The senate judiciary committee, this week, voted to report adversely on a constitutional amendment to that effect. The amendment, which was by Senator Shafroth, would have advanced the commencement of the presidential term from March 4 to the second Monday in January following election, and would have fixed the beginning of each new congress for the first Monday in January instead of March 4.

It is thought that a similar resolution now pending in the house will not be considered at this session.

Le dernier ukase de la mode. The last word of fashion for women from Paris has it that the waist line would advance if possible. The waist will flare widely, showing the whole neck and very much of the front, which shows up in a V-shape, the opening terminating when the waist belt is reached—a plenteous front. The skirt will stay slit—quite to the knee. The legs will be bound in ribbons that cross and re-cross according to taste of wearer, this up to the knee, at least. This is something of the effect of the early Romans. The shoes are sandal like, caught up by the thong like binding that wind up the stockings. Did you get it?

GOVERNOR BLEASE ON OUR MORALITY.

Governor Blease, of South Carolina, in his recent report to the legislature of that state had much to say of the negroes, and which in the most part was not very complimentary. He said:

"The negro race has absolutely no standard of morality. They are, in that respect, a class by themselves, as marital infidelity seems to be their most favorite pastime. If every negro in this state that is guilty of bigamy or marital infidelity is brought up and convicted, labor will be much scarcer than it is and many acres that are now cultivated will be idle."

The governor is very much mistaken in saying that the Negro has no standard of morality. He has exactly the same standard as that of the white race. The Negroes are a lowly people as a whole. In the thing of morality they compare very well with other lowly classes. If the Negroes do not conform to the standard as well as the white people it is simply because they are not up as a whole. Their average is not so high.

The trouble is that our race critics seek to compare us with the elect of the white people. As slum against slum, is the way to do it. Middle society against middle society; high society against high society. Now then, give us your figures.

A NEW PRESIDENT FOR HAITI.

Three hundred men of the rival revolutionaries were killed in the battle between the two forces at Gonaives, according to advices received here today. The adherents of Senator Davilmar Theodor were defeated by the followers of General Orestes Zamor, formerly government delegate at Cape Haitien. Senator Theodore and his men were driven back in a northerly direction to Plaisance, on the road to Cape Haitien.

General Zamor today proclaimed himself president of the republic.

Carlos Zamor, government delegate at Gonaives, assisted his brother in the battle, and General Desormes fought by their side.

Fire broke out in the city of Gonaives during the battle. Fifteen houses were destroyed, but no foreign property was damaged.

The Mexican spirit of rebellion and revolution has caught in the little Negro republic. It is useless to say that thoughtful race men are disheartened at the recent outbreak. That country has been looked on as the fairest example of Negroes at self-government. Whether it be just or not, the Negroes everywhere lose in respect as a people worthy of the utmost citizenship.

One can not help but think of that oft quoted "If the righteous are scarcely saved where will the ungodly appear." In this case the Haitiens as the best at self-government are not being scarcely saved. The country is falling back, politically speaking. And the political serenity of a nation is one of its best tests of superior civilization. Ravenous, greedy men, hungering for power and money are responsible—those to whom all eyes turn as the bringers of salvation. These failing, to where shall we turn. They know not what they do. Shall they be forgiven?

THE VIRGINIA LODGE OF K. OF P. WILL NOT LOSE CHARTER.

At the biennial meeting of the Supreme Lodge of Knights of Pythias at Baltimore last summer there arose a difficulty between the Virginia Grand Lodge and the Supreme Lodge concerning the financial status of the latter body. The Virginia lodge, headed by John Mitchell, Jr., protested against the business methods of the Supreme Lodge, insisting that it was hopelessly in debt, and instead of reducing its expenses was rushing headlong, regardless of its financial condition. Its business integrity was impeached. Charges were made which greatly incensed the members of the Supreme Lodge. They were of such a nature that that body felt there was no course to pursue short of revoking the charter of the "obstreperous" body. This was done.

The case was bitterly fought through the Richmond Planet, the most influential race publication of Virginia. John Mitchell, Jr., the editor, is also the Grand Chancellor of the K. of P.'s for his state. He is also a banker and enjoys a fine reputation as financier, being the only Negro who is a member of the American Bankers' Association. The prominence of Mr. Mitchell, who led in the attack, made for a most bitter fight.

The fight was carried to the Supreme Court, District of Columbia. This body, January 30, 1914, refused to grant the plea of the Supreme Lodge, that the suit of the Grand Lodge, K. of P. of Virgina be dismissed with costs on the plaintiff and decided that the action of the Supreme Lodge Knights of Pythias, N. A., S. A., E. A., A. and A. in session at Baltimore, Maryland, August 26-30, 1913, in revoking the charter of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Virginia and ordering the dissolution, was unconstitutional and unlawful.

It issued a sweeping injunction restraining the Supreme Lodge, the Supreme Chancellor or their agents anywhere in the United States from interfering with the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias on acount of any such alleged cevocation of the charter. It forbids the issuance or circulation of any proclamation or letters by the Supreme Chancellor or his agents based upon the alleged revocation of the charter and dissolution of the Grand Lodge, Knights of Pythias of Virginia.

Mr. Justice Gould announced that the question of the constitutionality of the tax levy by the Supreme Lodge upon the members of the several grand jurisdictions would be finally decided by the Court. This will result in a complete review of the cast by competent authority and the constitutionality of the enactment of the new Constitution at Baltimore, Maryland, will also be settled.

John Mitchell, Jr., Grand Chancellor of the Grand Lodge, K. of P. of Virginia; Thomas M. Crump, G. K. of R. and S., and R. C. Mitchell were present during the deliberations. The Grand Lodge was represented by Hon. Clarence R. Wilson, Paul E. Lesch, Esq., and James F. Minor, Esq., the latter making the argument, and the Supreme Lodge by Mr. James A. Cobb and Henry E. Davis, Esq., the latter making the argument.

THE PROPOSED EXCLUSION OF ASIATIC PEOPLES.

Many of us, and who are true-blue patriots, prefer to think of the nation as it is sung about, "The land of the free and the home of the brave." This has meant the wide extended arms, welcoming whoever would come. The utmost patriot would not see his country fall short of that. It's a most beautiful theory. It has electrified the world. The denizens of Europe, of the world of mankind who had long despaired of reaching the status of citizens in all that the term implies were lifted up by the hopeful intelligence. At night, at noon, they turned with faces to the west, as the good Musselman turns to Mecca when uttering his orisons.

In time they came to the promised land, so to speak, finding it all that was said of it, and more than what was said of it if they chose to make it that way. They found that America was the subject of their making. It would be what they would have it—the land of the free, the home of the brave. But in the country's development changes have come. Men as races have been studied, and in relation to other races. While our country is made up of those from the ends of the earth, of the restless and discontented spoken of, yet these have shaped an organization which has greatly outclassed most of those of the older world, and from which they sprang. In fact they find that they have wrought so finely that to introduce all classes of "original" men wholesale would be attended with some danger.

Knowing well our own status as a race it would ill become us to surrender to any such program as was contemplated by the house of representatives at Washington. But looking at the matter dispassionately, aside from the particular race affiliation we are impressed with the idea of probable danger in permitting masses of individuals to enter the country who are radically opposed to us in customs and traits. And perhaps this objection, had it been sustained, would have opposed more theoretically than practically. Not many Hindus, Malays or Africans are knocking at the gates of Castle Garden. The Mongolians, meaning the Chinese and Japanese, have long since read the writing on the wall. They have governed themselves accordingly and now look with eyes askance toward our shores. This thought suggests the recent difficulty with the Japanese and a former difficulty with the Chinese.

We are not attempting to defend the proposed legislation. We are trying to lay the facts of the case bare before our readers. Downright selfishness, self-interest, self-defense, would declare against those who can be no true part and parcel of the country. But what are we to do with the spirit of our constitution, of our institutions, of our citizenship? Must we turn the door against the helpless and hopeless?

As Negroes, perhaps we should look strictly after our own end of the business. Africa is not sending out its peoples, nor has it ever done so. We are saved humiliation in the instance, because Negroes do not come from Africa to this country. Theoretically the Africans are included, consequently we, the United States Negroes, have more than a passing interest in the proposed restrictions.

DALLAS, TEXAS, ITEMS.

Fifty Thousand Dollar School Opened—Laboring Men and Professional Men United to War for Negro Enterprises Here—Girls of Class 1913 Make High Mark So Do Your Duty.

(By Col. J. G. Griffin, 2922 Cochran St.)

The opening of the $50,000 public school for Negro children last Monday marked a new era in advancement for the race. The exercises were grand and largely attended by both races. The speakers were at their best and held the vast audience spellbound at the many good things that were said. Hon. A. S. Wells, Dr. J. E. Edwards and members of the school board, Dr. A. S. Jackson, Mrs. Carrie Morgan and others were the principals and made one and all feel justly proud of them. The chorus sang with much feeling and impressed their hearers that songs are a great part in the uplift of a people. Dr. J. Horace Dodd, master of ceremonies, acquitted himself with dignity and honor. It's up to the race to go forward and make good. They have the teachers, the building, now send your children. What Dallas is mostly in need of now is a child law to keep children in school and off the streets as is the case too often seen daily. Mothers take up the burdensome task and your work will not be without results in future days.----Mr. Napoleon Guinn will do that hauling for you. Ring M4991 and he will be on the way.----Over fifty men of every walk in life were seated at the laboring men's banquet table in the Chautauqua Cafe last Tuesday night and launched a new business get-together of the race for all lines of Negro enterprises in this city. Mr. E. W. D. Welch, a successful furniture dealer, was elected as its president and says that talk will not do it all. Everybody must work, pray and keep doing until every son and daughter of Ham's race see the need of trading with those of the race who will treat you right. They will meet every Tuesday night, so you are invited, Mr. Freeman readers, if you wish us success. A full complement of officials were elected to man the ship to success and ask your assistance.----The novelty foot entertainment held at St. John Baptist church last Monday night proved to be quite an interesting laugh provoker to the large number who were in attendance. It also helped to swell the church funds.----The great revival recently closed at Bethel A. M. E. church proved a successful warrior to those who had not claimed a hope in Christ. Many were added to the church and old Satan routed as he had not been for some time in Dallas.----Dr. H. E. White, member of Pride of West K. of P. lodge, died in San Antonio, Monday of last week and his remains were shipped to Jefferson, Texas, for burial under the auspices of his lodge and members of Jefferson lodge.----Miss Willie Ethel King, a graduate of the city high school of class 1913, recently passed the board of examiners and made one of the highest marks of efficiency made by any one here lately. It shows what one can do by hard study. Miss King is nw teaching in the high school of Ellis Co. in the city of Walahachia, where her Dallas friends wish her well in her newly chosen profession.----It is well to here mention that other young women of this city have gone forth and made good in this chosen profession. From the city high schools of Dallas the Lone Star State is dotting this commonwealth here and there with her sons and daughter who are using their talent to be helpful to the many for education of the needy ones of the race. Among them will be found Miss Rosa Turner, who is the principal and has 46 children enrolled at Elmo, Tex. Mrs. Augustus Pruitt, Mrs. Ruth Caston and Miss Schropshire and others, all of the high school, who are making good at teaching. Prof. G. W. Everett, of Elmo, Tex., with others, spent a few days here attending the examination board of the C. M. W. O. W., which convened here last week.----It would be of much interest to the whole people here to see the business organizations, pleasure clubs, and social clubs get together buy and build a baseball and pleasure park, fitted up with all modern improvements whereby the citizens, comers and goers into the metropolis can go and spend leisure hours in a club reading rooms, bath, rest and gymnasium owned by the race here. It would be an ideal place for the young people to go and spend their idle hours from their work.----There was a larger number of men who took an interest in the securing of their poll tax this time than in the history. Thus the name of Dallas goes upward as the leading city of the state as it should have been. Young man, have you your sword of manly defense now ready to battle with?----Mrs. M. H. Hardeman, of Denison, spent several days here visiting her sister, Mrs. Delia Wimberly, 814 Good street.----Mr. Guy Galbreath, of Bonham, was called home to the funeral of one of his brothers last week.----Mr. H. H. Best of this city, who has been spending some time in and around California, spent several days here with his daughter and husband and wife, 924 North Betterton Circle, Station A.----Mr. Ed Robinson, of Lancaster, visited his daughter, Miss Ellen Davidson, and friends in the city the past week.----Mrs. S. C. Matthews is spending three weeks in southern Texas on a pleasure trip.----Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pettigrew have recently had a modern bath room completed and installed in their modern home, 2420 N. Allen St.----Miss Aline Rowel, a pupil at Sam Houston College, had to give up her studies on account of her illness and be brought home.----It is reported she is fast improving to the delight of her many friends.----Mr. Will Land of Houston, Mrs. J. B. Becker of St. Louis, Mo., and Mrs. Jas. Pratt of Fort Worth were the honored guests of Mrs. Mary Love, 1419 Cottage Lane. Mrs. Becker left for El Paso for a brief stay. Mrs. Love visited in Fort Worth among friends and returned home.----Miss Badore Blue of Cosicana returned to her home after a brief stay as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Moozee, 1607 San Jacinto St.----You will notice the new improvements in the office department at the Welch Furniture Co., on entering that establishment. Elevated stand, new roll top desk, one standing bookkeeper's desk, invoice books, etc., all in all it gives one the up-to-date progress now going on by this firm.----Mrs. J. L. Beal is now located in her new modern home, 500 Crowdus St.----Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Sheaperson and daughter will make Colorado their future home, having sold their property here and will embark into business in that state. They go with the best congratulations of their many Dallas friends, who wish them well in their new field of endeavor.----Mr. G. W. Davis of Sheatland, Iowa, joined his sister, Mrs. N. H. Hannah, 2819 Gillott St., this city and journeyed on to Herne to be at the bedside of their sick mother, who is reported very ill for several days and it is the cherished hope to soon learn that she will be much improved by friends of the family here.----Mrs. Augustus Pruitt who is teaching in a nearby town, paid her husband a visit the past week.----The Peoples Bakery Co., cor. Hall and Munger ave., finds a great demand for its daily supply of bread, cakes and pies which is very encouraging to the members of the firm. They ask a consideration in your homes and business places.----You and your company are cordially invited to attend the banquet given at the Majestic Hall, cor. Good and Elm streets, Tuesday night, February 10th. 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Hall, 2801 Juliet St.----Mrs. Vernon Sanders, formerly of this city, but now at Corpus Christi, Tex., wishes to be remembered to her Dallas friends, and orders the Freeman so that she might know what's going on.----Prof. Calvin Spencer, one of the pioneer citizens, passed away last Saturday at his home, 2513 Flora St., after an illness of a few days. It is fresh in the minds of the many friends that just a short while ago the wife, Mrs. P. Spencer, died, then Mrs. J. C. McCain and Mrs. Sally Taylor, all members of this same family. Services were held at Bethel A. M. E. church, Dr. Abbington officiating. A brother, son, daughter and a number of other relatives and friends mourn with the relatives. Touching resolutions were read on the life's work of the deceased. Interment was had in Oaklawn cemetery Sunday afternoon.----The peoples' praise for the Freeman is because of its policy to stand up for them at all times for the right. Its clean methods of caring for the various lines of news is meeting with public favor on all sides morning, noon and nights. Now is the time to have your friends who have not subscribed to do so at once. It should be in their homes as well as yours. See to it that you are the cause, Mr. and Mrs. Readers, of some one else taking up the cause of The Freeman and helping it to new successes in your vicinity. Every little will help.----Prof. K. Hardy the real estate man is newly located in the office building with Mrs. C. L. Morgan, Bush, Boswell, Thompson and Graizer Ford.----The American Woodman, Williamson Drug Store and the new home where the Freeman can be bought all the time. Go there and get it every week.----If you wish to find your lost relatives put an advertisement in The Freeman. It reaches more places than all the rest. It is read by a larger number of people than any paper published in the country. Try it and note the results.----See J. G. 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AT CROWN GARDEN THEATER.

Tim E. Owsley, Prop.

The Crown Garden has a galaxy of good ones this week. The bill is of variety as well as quality. The work of Jones and Jones is particularly meritorious. Then there's the Butlers who are good entertainers, Thomas Melton, the tramp musician; Clayborn and Clayborn, cornet virtuosos, and Ray Bailey, a dainty songstress.

Jones and Jones, High Class Entertainers.

Archie and Edna Jones are a clever pair of entertainers, Edna doing straight to Archie's comedy. Both of them are young people; their work is surprisingly good. Archie, as a comedian, has the correct dope for any kind of audience. He depends wholly on his acting ability, which is of the best among colored performers. He would be classed a good one among performers without regard to race. He has no bad places in his work. Everything he says and does is good. He is witty, not merely funny.

Edna is of undoubted stage distinction. She has all the graces. She is somewhat tall, pretty and beautiful in her stage movements. Her costumes, which she designs herself are oriental effect—half trousers and half skirt, on the order of the costumes of Turkish ladies of quality. They are rich in quality, and well become her splendid figure. She is splendidly clad from head to foot. She is none the less delightful when she puts the talk to her partner.

Jones as the very mad man makes a big hit. He knows how to tell just how mad he is—too mad for utterance. Both do a nice piece of business at this point. Archie makes good singing "Ain't no 'Taters," his own composition. Both sing "I Am the Guy," which is well put over.

Their closing is the "Dreamland Glide," a dance that gets them the applause. This is their own dance, done when both are splendidly costumed. Archie is in costume de rigour, in which he first makes appearance doing a George Walker stunt. The act will be a pleasing number on any bill.

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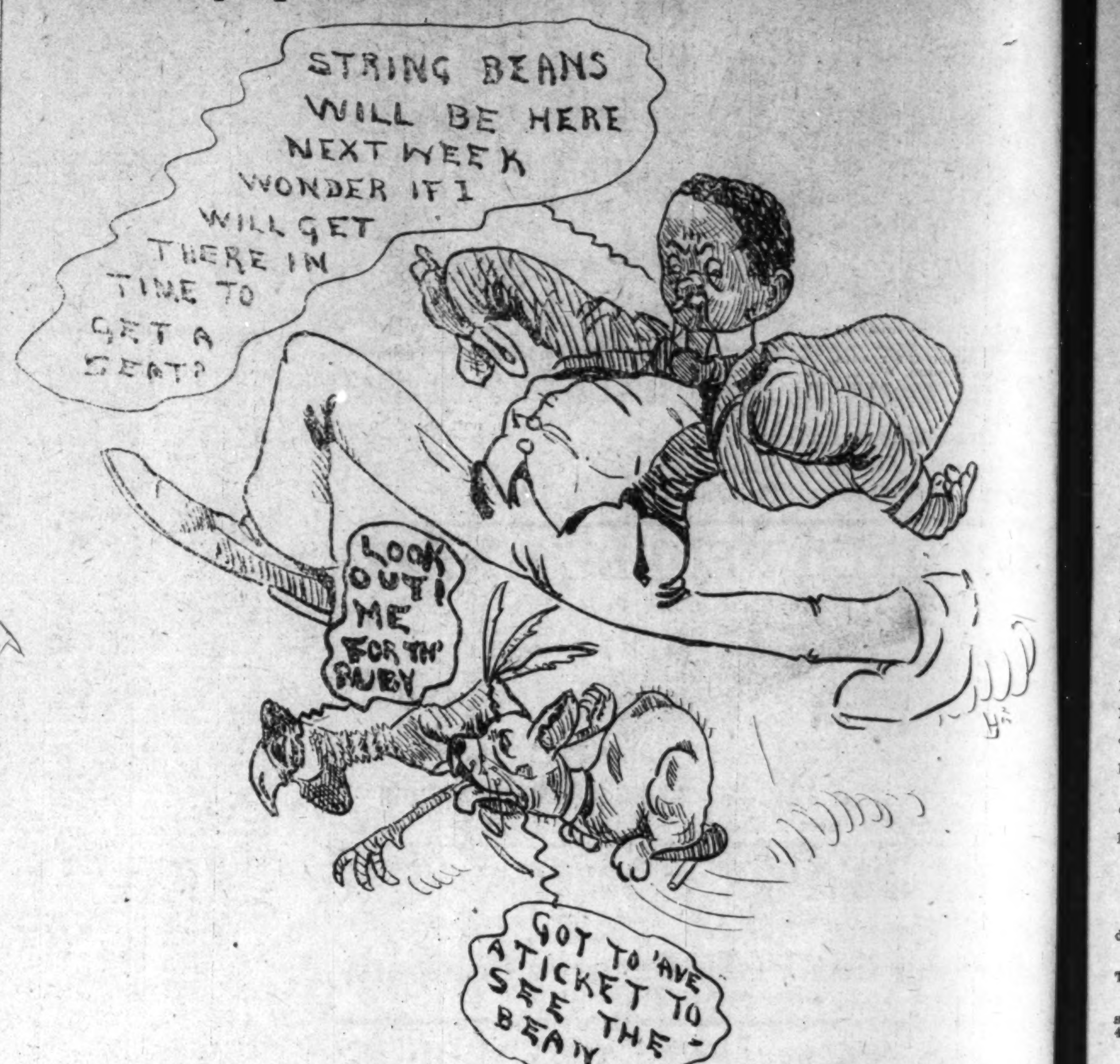
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GOT TO 'AVE A TICKET TO SEE THE BEAN

The Butlers, Gus and Trixy, in an Interesting Skit.

The Butlers come near presenting a problem play. At the closing the audience is pretty well worked up. Gus asks the audience to decide whether he shall take his wife back again after she has committed a serious breach by leaving home with another man.

Gus appears as a hard-working man whose industry is such that he becomes noted for wearing shovels out. All of this industry is that he may have dollars to bring home. The female partner takes the part of one being influenced from her home by a tempter. The hard-working man, the work-ox, as she calls him, supplies the money for an escapade. She returns in time after having been deserted. She is penniless and ragged. In the meantime Gus has had luck with the bones, on which he chanced his only dime.

The scene between the two is quite touching; but the woman in leaving did it in such a way as to prejudice the audience against her. She plead for mercy and forgiveness, but the misused man was stout in his denial; and the audience was with him. She sang the "Dying Rag," fell to her knees and all that, but the "work-ox" gave her the marble heart.

The skit is cleverly done, answering somewhat to happenings that frequently occur. In this respect it proved quite a problem play in which the audience is intensely interested. Both of the performers are good in their parts, showing clearly the intent of the playlet.

The team is in demand. It hails from the east, where it has been successfully engaged. It will play a return engagement at the Monogram, Chicago, in March.

RAY BAILEY, SONGSTRESS.

Ray Bailey is not new to Crown Garden patrons. She will be remembered for three well rendered numbers when she was here before. She comes back with three more bright, cheerful songs which she does in a taking way.

Miss Bailey has that cherub look. She is of stock build, has a pretty face. These, together with her splendid gowns, make for a very stunning stage appearance. She is pretty on or off the stage.

She sings "Kiss Me, I've Never Been Kissed Before." She does not sing it any place else except on the stage. The way she sings it and the way she looks, many a fellow would take her at her word. Her other songs are "The Tango Ball and "Travel On." These are done in her characteristic way. Her movements are winsome and pleasing. Her voice is correct for her style of songs. She knows how to use it to the best advantage, putting her songs over most artistically.

THOMAS MELTON, TRAMP MUSICIAN.

Thomas Melton is known at the Crown for his "eccentric" music. It is not eccentric at all; it is good music, but done in odd ways. He lies on the floor playing his violin with his foot, and such like unheard-of stunts. He opens playing a tune on a broomhandle which he has made into a musical instrument. He plays a good violin, making a good impression by his fine tones and the quality of his music.

Melton plays a sweet solo on an old bucket which looks useless enough. He reminds one of the old, old song, "There's Music Everywhere." He gets it in every way he turns. He writes his own music.

Melton has added a knockout feature since last seen in Indianapolis. He has improvised a set of chimes from what appears to be common whisky bottles. The outfit looks as trampy as he does and he is some tramp, and who is greatly inflicted with the creepers. He does pretty much what he wishes to do with his bottle chimes, playing them with skill. The stunt is great. He takes encores. The act would be a good one on any bill.

Claybrooks and Claybrooks, Cornet Virtuosos.

Alphonso and Jennie Claybrooks are essentially musicians, but they work in a little dancing, doing neat, refined steps. This is especially true of the female partner, whose dance work is airy and elegant.

They open on their cornets, doing a medley of popular airs. They are neatly costumed in military attire. The number is nicely done. Alphonso then does the "Columbia Polka," beginning with a plain straight movement, then it increased in difficulty, when the fine quality of his playing was noticed. His triple tongue and ascending and descending scale passages proved him quite a master of his instrument. This number was a treat, and was nicely applauded, a compliment to Mr. Claybrooks' ability.

Their "Somebody Loves You Dear" is a fine composition. This was done as a duet; the sweet-toned instruments told a beautiful story. It was a grand, sweet song, grandly executed, melody, harmony and rhythm being the features.

Miss Jennie Claybrooks sang "Wonderful Child" with a pleasing voice. All through she showed to be a capable little performer, holding down her parts in the nicest way.

At the close they do the "Chicken Reel," where they show clever work as dance artists. They sing "Carolina." Their work is neat and classy, going strictly on its merits.

W. L.

THE PEKIN, THE LINCOLN, CINCINNATI, OHIO

The Pekin has another attractive program this week. Crampton & Bailey, strangers on the avenue, are the curtain raisers. They have a good lively act and were well received. May & May (String Beans) is the feature turn and the name alone packed the house four times. This act has appeared here on numerous occasions, but they always have something new to offer that pleases a Cincinnati audience.

The Lincoln Theater offers a bill this week that is a novelty. The opening number, Commodore Tom, a well trained pony, performed with almost human intelligence. This act is a treat to the younger element. Tom Kerr, the strolling musician (white) rendered some beautiful selections on his violin, of which he is a master, and Bradford & Jeannette, who played on the avenue only a few weeks ago, returned with a new sketch. The bill as a whole is a very pleasing one, and the Lincoln should do a big business.

AT THE AUDITORIUM THEATER, PHILADELPHIA

This is Bill Week Feb. 2d.

Roberson & Carnnick, singing comedy and cake walking open the show and went big.

Izola Ringgold, singing new songs and a nice dance went good. She knows how to put her work on good single.

The Taylorrite, a team from the West, did some good work. Mr. Taylor is funny, and Mrs. Taylor is pretty. Their closing dance caught the house.

John H. Smith, the manager, closed the show, assisted by Joe Bright and Chilly Potter and sent everyone out happy.

Mr. Sam Lewis was a big hit here two weeks ago and said to his friend, John can you come back after laying off six months? And John says yes. Then a bet. Sam loses, as John did come back and some more. Good business.

Miss Grandy is still on the sick list. Policeman Wilson is out again.

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Bill Week of Jan. 26th.

Second week Buster and Rock Pile, and still holding them. These two boys are good.

Return date of Leonce Lazzo Johnson in new songs. Went fine.

Joe Bright, a fat little boy, told some good stories and funny jokes and sang "Won't Dot Be a Dream?" Little Joe is good and has plenty of stuff. Good act.

Dora Patterson Trio closed the show and was good. Miss Patterson looks as good as ever, and Harry Stoute of the Trio played the villain to beat the band, and was a big hit. The comedian is a good singer. Good act.

Officer George Wilson is again on the sick list. Also Miss Florence Grandy, the cashier (ticket seller). We hope to see her out soon. Good business.

MAY & MAY WILL HEAD BIG COMPANY.

May & May, as "Sweet Papa's String Beans" just closed two weeks at the Crown Garden theater, Indianapolis. Playing Pekin theater, Cincinnati, O., this week. This is the best team of its kind in the business. The work is great. Beans is there when he hits the stage, the people can't keep from laughing. F. M. King, from New York, is with him in Cincinnati. He wants him to carry a show out next season, starring him with fifty people. He will be some drawing card because he is the talk in this part of the country and the south. If he stays in health he will be a star next winter. He will organize in New York with plenty of support. Look for this young man to devolop himself. By M. H. Smith.

PENSACOLA, FLA., THEATRICAL NOTES

(By J. Ceasar Lewis, of the Thomas & Lewis News Co., 428 N. DeVillier Street, Phone 823.)

The Belmont theater is being crowded to its capacity every night. The manager of this handsome playhouse is sparing no pains to insure that everyone who attends his theater will be treated with the performance of first class actors and actresses. Little Jimmie Cox and his great company is on the bill for this week. They are going big with their late singing and dancing. Among those who compose the Cox company are Cox & Cox, Bobbie Cox, Sam Cross; James McPheeters, Pa and Ma Rainey, who are still on the bill and are meeting with great success while in Pensacola. It was reported to the news writer to kindly ask the manager of this theater to request the white patrons of his theater to remove their hats in the gallery. Some managers of stock companies should not be so cruel to his women actresses. Don't forget to report all news to the Thomas & Lewis News Co., Walker W. Thomas, Manager.

THE TEAMS OF SANDFORD & SANFORD, GASTON & JACKSON, AT THE BEDSIDE OF CLEVER BILLY YOUNG

LEXINGTON, Ky.—We, the teams of Sanford & Sanford and Gaston & Jackson, were the last performers at the bedside of Clever Billy Young. We were the ones who closed our engagement when Papa Billy made his last curtain call. We were the last to work with him (Gaston & Jackson) at the Star theater in Nov., 1913. And these two teams took it upon themselves to keep him from an indecent burial. And Tuesday, Feb. 3, we play for the week of 2d, Louisville, Ky. We will come back to Lexington, Ky., to attend the funeral services of the one and only Clever Billy Young.

Manager Entertains.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 4—(Special)—Mr. Hogan, manager of the Olio theater, 8th and Walnut streets, entertained at dinner on Monday evening in honor of Miss Katherine Kent, of Montgomery, Ala. Miss Kent has been here several days on business and stopped at the Davis home, at 8th and Walnut streets. The night of the dinner she wore a most beautiful gown and was the center of attraction at the dinner.

Frank P. George Getting Ready for His Annual Danabegay.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 4—(Special)—Mr. Frank P. George, of this city, known as the "Black Gelasco," is scouring this section of the country for talent for his annual Danabegay. Mr. George has the reputation of pulling off the best musical heard in Illinois.

NOTES OF BIJOU THEATER AT DURHAM, N. C.

Our bill for Feb. 1st is headed by Ham Bone Jones, Virginia Liston and Charley Aderson, Huggins & Cot and Brown & Harris and Sanders & Sanders and Charley Chicken Jones is now manager. Would like to hear from all performers. Will wire tickets anywhere. Wiggins & Wiggins write at once. Box 198 Durham, N. C. You can find the Freeman for sale at theater by Claiborne White, agent.

ROUTE.

Alabama Minstrels, Porter & Aiten Managers—Covington, Va., Feb. 9; Lexington, 10; Staunton, 11; Waynesboro, 12; Elkton, 13; Shenandona, 14.

The Rag Time Trio—Whitewater, Wis., Feb. 8 to 11; Edgerton, Scenic Theater, 12 to 14.

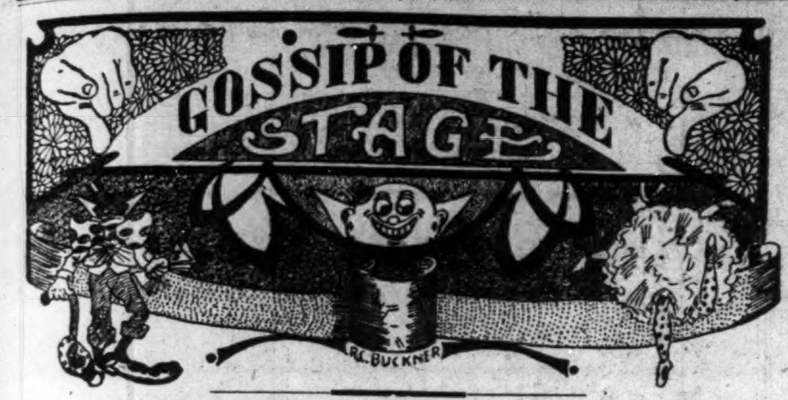
LETTER LIST.

Gentlemen's List.

Anthony, Emmitt.
The Great Adams.
Bennett, B. J.
Burns, Billy.
Banks, Jesse
Bruce, Arthur A.
Bryant, Archie
Bruce, Chas.
Bevard, Sylvester
Brown, Eli W.
Bryon, W. M.
Bruce, Joe
Carter, Oscar C.
Campbell & Campbell.
Costella, Julian
Carson, J. W.
Cox, Arthur.
Dempsey, J. B.
Duffy, Howard
Day, George
Dewey, William.
Davis, Prof. L.
English, J. A.
Erwin, J. H.
Earle, Harry J.
Fisher, Wm.
Farrell, Ed
Grady, Frederick
Gordon, Batt
Goodall, Ben
Hock, Bones
Hicks, Mason
Homegay, Clyde
Irving Warren
Itson, Harry
Harris, Chas. J.
Hopkins, Frank
Hester, Willie
Irving & Irving.
Irwin, Warren
Johnson, Roy.
Johnson, H. M.
Jones, Thomas
Kirkendall, Wm.
Kennedy, Sam
King, Leazono
Lockhart, T. W.
Lewis, Mitchell
Langford, Ed.
Latham, Junius
Montgomery, A. W.
Mills, Billy.
McCue, Henry
Pience, Wilner
Princeton, Harry
Pearch, Wm
Powell, John M.
Peters & Van Clay
Price, Tom
Pope, Lee
Reed, Frank J.
Reeves, Jessie.
Rhodes, Samuel.
Ray, W. H.
Stokes, LeRoy
Stafford, Harry
Singleton, Eddie
Sulver, T. H.
James, Seymour
Stovall & Stovall
Simpson, James E.
Thompson, Thomas
Toliver, Elick.
Terry, Frank.
Thompson, Thomas
Taylor, Chas.
Thomas, "Kid"
Vaughn, W. T.
Wells, James E.
Wells, Jimmie
Wade, F. W.
Wogord, Cliff
Woods, Prof. E. D.
Wallburg, H. W.
Wilson, Chas.
Whale, James.
Williams, Alonzo.
Williams, Sylvester

Ladies' List.

Bab, Katie M.
Belrias, Mrs.
Brown, Maybelle.
Brannum, Rosetta.
Brumbra, Helen
Braggs, Miss Mabel
Caldwell, Roxie
Carter, Miss Edna
Douglass, Ella (Due 10 cents.)
Davis, Mrs. Georgia
Easton, Mrs. Sarah
Gant, Mable.
George, Miss Essie
Graham, Mrs. T. H.
Glenn, Mrs. Cora
Gilbert, Carrie
Hockless, Miss Minnie
Hunn, Alva
Harris, Estella
Jones, Miss Sallie
Johnson, Miss Tillie
Jones, Mrs. Bessie
Johnson, Mrs. Effie
Kent, Jessie
Nichols, Ray
Prince, Ruth.
Perry, Nettle.
Price, Kate
Redmond, Rebecca
Stevens, Mrs. Lillian
Smith, Laura
Schaffer, Miss Odessa
Taylor, Maggie.
Thompson, Miss Addie
Townsend, Mary
Webster, Alma
White, Miss Lillian



MEMORANDUM.

When the readers of The Freeman are in London, W. C., you can secure the paper from Daw's Steamship agency, 17 Green St., Charing Cross Road, W. C., London.

HE'S ONLY TAKING A REST.

Dedicated to Clever Billy Young.

As I sit and ponder, study, wonder
and think,
How many of our great true ones have
passed over the brink,
But some have gone without warning,
some have gone without a fall,
And some have gone not knowing they
had made their last curtain call.
Now friends, I am just speaking, just
an opinion of my own;
Let us try and repent before entering
that longed for, and talked of,
home.
Many are going and many are coming,
and they go and come forever.
But one has gone we ne'er can forget,
the one and only "Clever."
Oh, pap Billy, we all miss you much,
and what of all the racket?
But lo, there's two recitations we miss
most of all, and that's picture
"84" and "The Ragged Jacket."
Good bye, Dear Billy, you're gone,
you've done your best,
But listen, Billy's not gone any place,
he's only taking a rest."

—GASTON & JACKSON.

STAGE NOTES.

Madge Clinton and Frances in Indianapolis this week.

Martin & Motely are at the Pekin Theater, Montgomery, Ala.

Lowery's Dixie Fashion Plate Minstrels closed at Wellsville, Mo., Feb. 4th.

Taylor & Taylor, Charles & Flossie, Pekin Theater, Savannah, Ga., this week.

Susie Sutton, the well known character delineator will be in Indianapolis next week.

Taylor & Taylor, Charles & Floss, Boston Theater, Roanoke, Va., doing good in the south.

Pennell & Holden have just closed a four weeks' engagement at Grand Theater, Birmingham, Ala.

Thomas A. Brooks is with the "Girls from Happyland" Co., Gayety Theater, Milwaukee, with Chicago to follow.

Madge Clinton and Frances were at the Ruby theater, Louisville, last week. They played a successful engagement.

Chas. A. Holloway is taking his vacation at his home in Gallatin, Mo. He sends regards to Kite Fisher and Wm. Lee and wife.

E. Slim Mason became a big favorite in Key West, Fla., while playing a two weeks' engagement there with Marshall Mammoth Minstrels.

Thomas Melton, after scoring a big success on the Dudley time, has opened on the D. O. K. time at the Crown Garden, Indianapolis, this week.

Peat & Hayes first half this week, Majestic Theater, Albany, N. Y.; last half, Proctor's Theater, Mechanicsville, N. Y., with other time to follow.

Frank "Jap" Reed has closed with Marshall's Mammoth Minstrels and has returned to the Rabbit Foot Co. He has just purchased a Gold "Conn" Melophone.

Bonnie and Semoura Clark got seven more weeks on the D. O. K. time. They will soon start out East. Semoura says "Hello" to her sister, Florence McClain.

The Pewees just closed a three weeks' engagement at the Bohn Theater, Mobile; opened at the Star Theater Feb. 2d for several weeks with Erickson, Ala., Minstrels Feb. 20th.

Stella Wiley and Bob A. Kelley are the leading characters in a big moving picture production entitled, "Lovey Joe's Romance," which are soon to be released by the Afro-American Film Co., of New York.

Madam Lizzie Holden has moved into her beautiful new home at 635 N. West street, where she will be pleased to accomodate the members of the profession and the traveling public generally. All modern conveniences.

Johnson & McReynolds Musical Comedy Co. played in Springfield, Ill., Jan. 26, 27, 28 and made them scream. Are playing Decatur two weeks, beginning February 2d. It was said to have been the best attraction that has been in this house since the house has been opened.

Simon Dunsmore, 38 years old, died in the Philadelphia General Hospital of tuberculosis, Jan. 20th, after an illness of one year. He was baptized in the Catholic faith three weeks before death. He was buried Saturday, Jan. 24th, from St. Peter church and intered in Holy Cross cemetery, Philadelphia, Pa.

A theatrical news note from Lincoln Neb., Jan. 28, says: Magician works well before large audience last evening. J. A. McKinney, a leading and prominent colored magician, performed some clever feats of legerdemain and modern magic. With the Great McKinney was Mr. White, an assistant on the job with magician; also the Misses Eltre and Alberta Sanders and Miss Corinne Letcher, who were extremely good in their latest catchy songs: The Masonic Temple had its largest audience last night for some time, both white and colored.

NEW COLORED THEATER IN WILMINGTON, N. C.

Will be completed and opened February 9th. Playing high class vaudeville and road attractions, this theater will be under the management of M. H. Whippler, who was the first man to give entertainment and a place of amusement to the colored people of Wilmington. Mr. Whippler has been conducting the Lyric Theater for the past three years and he was so successful that the Lyric has become inadequate in both size and equipment and he has therefore erected this big, up-to-date playhouse with a seating capacity of 900 to accommodate his patrons. In the construction of the new theater special attention has been given to such details as acoustics, heating, ventilation and comfort of patrons. The stage is equipped with every scenic effect and it is of sufficient size to show to advantage any attraction or specialty. The popular and well known Lew Kenner of Kenner & Williams, will be stage manager and he has requested that his many friends should correspond with him. Acts with open time should write to M. H. Whippler, Manager. Acts who have got the goods can be booked for two to twelve consecutive weeks at this and other houses in which Mr. Whippler is interested.

RUBY THEATER, LOUISVILLE, Ky.

The Ruby opened this week with a strong bill, with Johnson & Baylor as headliner in a comedy sketch, singing "Down Alabam" also "Bless Your Ever Loving Heart," cleaning with "Lest Go Away from Here." Mr. Johnson has been seen here before with Carolina Four. Kinky Doo Trio close the bill singing and dancing and singing the "International Rag," In fact these two teams are about as good as seen here for some time. Mr. Slater is still trying to please the public.

CHICAGO WEEKLY REVIEW.

(By Sylvester Russell.)

Go To Church on Sunday Slogan Divides With Vaudeville and Pictures.

The war cry of religious workers that bat so forcibly against vaudeville and moving pictures, materialized last Sunday. The 'Go to church on Sunday" cards displayed in store windows, had weight as the most important mission of christian women and suffragettes. There was a third division of children at matinees and Sabbath school hour who snowballed each other and interferred with the eager throng of church pedestrians and theatre goers. The vaudeville matinees were meager in youthful attendance, the Sunday schools were unusually full, while moving pictures had divided the forces of the two factionaries. The real competitives were the photo play purveyors. The Pekin theatre, which has opened with exclusive high priced "fourth run" pictures, had good attendance. "Kathlyn" heavily features was placed on record at the Phoenix, Washington and Alamo Theatres. The States theatre had "To Err is Human" and the Lincoln "An Hour Before Dawn." Big houses were the rule. At eight o'clock I hurried around to Bethel church to catch the sermon but did not get in. People were turned away.

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Strong Colored and White Acts at the Grand Theater.

The Four Dancing Strollers was one artistic conception of singing and dancing art put together by Joe Simms, who was the comedy producer. James Marshall, Rose Brown and Lizzie Wallace all scored. Allen and Morton in a modern act, took four encores. The white acts were Teddy Hardcastle, an interesting talented actor, who won favor in "The Catspaw." Otto Arco, first prize athletic champion and his brother, won favor and Harry Von Fossen, humorist in apperminate art was fair. The last half of the last week had Lew Cantors Choo Choo girls, who went big. Stanton and Carter faired well. Craig Whitney & Co. in "John's Deed" was good. Rose Troupe had a very novel act and Rector and Carey were fair. The submarine pictures were pronounced good by an ex-sailor, with arms tatooed by an artist, who was present, with the critic. Manager Duke Bramman has been obliged to return to California on account of his health.

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Susie Sutton, Character Artist, Captures at the Monogram.

Those who may have remembered Jones and Sutton on the big time several years ago, would not be surprised to see this real artist, especially in Italian dialect creation, and her comedy also captivated. The rest of the bill was good. Webb and Simmons were apt funmakers and dancers and Pugh and Pugh and the Mississippi trio managed to make fun enough to keep the house merry. The dancing and singing of the latter was good.

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Four Good Acts at the New Monogram.

Frisco Four certainly delivered the goods in a novelty and comedy act which qualified. Will Mastin and Virgie Richards took encores in tango and other styles of dancing. The Carter trio made good, especially Mr. Carter whose monologue was rich and legitimate and the little girl dancer was encored. Mrs. Carter is quite a good singer. LaBlanche Young was very attractive in love songs and her genuine alto voice was beautiful.

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State Notes and Stroll News.

The Kentucky Harmony Four: Louis Craddock, tenor; Dan Frazier, second tenor; James Thomas, baritone; A. L. Huddleston, bass; are with "The White Slave" company.

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The young team of Brown and Brown have changed their name to Brown and Chappelle. They appeared at the Monogram again in place of a vacancy by sickness, in a new act which qualified legitimately and gave much pleasure. Miss Toy Chappelle, who is Buddy Brown's wife, was a rare figure as a news boy.

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William Henry Jackson, of the team Jackson and Marquerite died on the 9th of November at Toronto, Canada, from a complication of diseases. The deceased, who was buried at Detroit, Mich., was a good entertainer. The team had appeared at the Grand on their return from Europe and his wife, Marguerite Jackson, just closed a successful engagement at the Monogram.

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Andrew Tribble has dissolved partnership with Matt Marshall, claiming that the latter had thrown him down on the face of important contracts. Tribble himself still retains the highest regard from white managers. It is intimated that Manager Klein has offered him a big salary to play the Monogram and consolidated circuit.

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Billy Cumby's trio is now on the Jones, Limrick Schaeer time at the Star Hippidrome, with the Grand to follow before leaving for Peoria.

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Harry Brown, of Brown & Hodges, cartoonist, recently gave a special matinee for the colored orphans' home at Cincinnati, Lincoln theatre. He is booked for a return at the Grand and is now filling Earl Cox's time on the Metropolitan circuit.

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Mother Annie Ragans, of Dayton, Ohio, has been spending a few days in the city, the guest of Mrs. Collin Johnson, 3535 Vernon ave. She is a very lovable old lady and has a host of friends in the Windy City.

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The report last week that S. H. Dudley was ostracized from the consolidated agency by Klein and Owsley, was confirmed by Martin Klein. The present firm will continue. Emma Griffin states that she originally wanted Dudley to go in with her but he had chosen the white man, backed up by a theatre proprietor's money instead and that is what he got. In the meantime I, the critic, might state that it does not make much difference about the color of the booking agents. What we want is honest, square men to book actors, but they must have financial backing.

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The latest news from New York is that Jesse A. Shipp has taken the management of the Lafayette theater. This is good news. It is understood that he is to be assisted by Sam Corker, Jr. While Sam Corker is a good underman he does not possess executive ability of the first order and it will be necessary for Jesse Shipp to be more concerned and commanding of his own insight to Corker, if the management is to meet with success. Personally I admire Corker because he is the only showman who challenged me for a fight to my face and we fought with fists. All the rest were cowards. Wilbur C. Sweatman, whose effort to secure a Chicago drummer, reveals the face that he will be the orchestra leader.

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A Threat to Leave.

(Fun for N. Y. & C. Musicians.)

"I'm going right away from here,
But how to start I do not know.
I think I'll try a spree on beer,
My brain is worried so.

I hate to leave the job I've got,
For one in New York, far away;
Chicago is the moneyed spot—
I think I'll have to stay.

—Sylvester Russell.

EASTERN THEATRICAL NEWS.

(By Billy E. Jones.)

Colored performers are attracting more than ordinary attention in England this season. Tom Brown and J. Rosamond Johnson open at the Pavillion as a team and were the hit of the show. Charles Hart, now working as a single, scored a big success at the Tivoli. Scott & Whaley and Belle Davis at the Metropolitan, were a distinct hit. Harry Brown is the star in the play, "Full inside," now running at the Oxford Theater. The versatile Four are at the Collins Music Hall and are some entertainers, and Crumbley & Glass are going big at the Empire Shore-edith.

The Prize Whist and Song Revue given by Billy E. Jones at his residence, 118 Lawrence street, Brooklyn, was a big success; about seventy-five guests were entertained with the latest Broadway successes, sung by well known vocalists. Prof. Fred Smith's orchestra, of Newark, N. J., played the late popular tango music.

The Back Bay Theater, Boston, has closed, owing to inferior heating accommodations. Williams & Stevens Stock Company, which was engaged for a run, after two weeks disbanded and the members secured vaudeville engagements. Williams & Stevens open for eight weeks at the King Edwards Theater, Nova Scotia, Halifax. Prof. Wah Loo, the well known magician and card manipulator, scored a big success at the cabaret and song review last week in Brooklyn, where he entertained the guests at the residence of Billy E. Jones. He is undoubtedly one of the greatest colored magicians on the stage today working in the midst of his audience and being clever, he was able to fool them right before their eyes.

Bert Williams this week at Fifth Avenue Theater, New York.

Overton's Walkers Happy Girls at Pantage's Theater, Edmonton, Can.

Anderson & Goins are at the Shubert Theater, Brooklyn, this week.

Miss Lulu Lawson is scoring successfully at the Pekin Theater, Savannah, Ga.

The musical and whist party given by Mrs. Rachel Anderson at her residence, 831 Fulton St., was a grand affair. The Ambrose White orchestra furnished the music and all the late popular tango music introduced with great success.

James Marshall, late star of Aida Overton Walker's "Happy Girls" and Joe Simms have joined hands to open in the East very soon.

Marjorie Lorraine and Pinky Walker formerly of Pinky & Walker, are meeting with success in their dancing act which is a novelty.

Billy E. Jones has in rehearsal "The Pussy Cat Rag," which is said to be better than his other feature song, "What Er You Mean, You Lost Your Dog."

ON THE COLORED CONSOLIDATED TIME

Monogram, Chicago—Thomas Melton, Blanks Sisters.

New Monogram, Chicago—Lizzie Hart.

Memphis, Metropolitan—Berringer & Berringer, Goodbar & Lewis, Glenn & Brogsdale.

Crown Garden, Indianapolis—The Arrants, Carter Trio, Susie Sutton.

Alpha, Cleveland—Bert Whitman & Sunbeams, Sam Davis.

Dunbar, Columbus—Bradford & Jeanette, Brown & Brown.

Pekin, Cincinnati—Edwards & Hardee, Kinky Doo Trio.

New Pekin, Dayton—Clinton & Francis, Jones & Jones.

Ruby, Louisville—The McCarvers, Stovall & Stovall.

Boker Washington, St. Louis—La Blanch Young, Johnson & Baylor, Messengale & Crosby, Tim & Hester Moore.

Unique, Detroit—Stone & Stone, Ray Bailey.

WASHINGTON, D. C., THEATRICAL NOTES

Grand Theater.

T. Spencer Finley, Washington statesman comedian, cleaned up for fair usual run of good pictures.

Navy.

Lewis & Lewis still held their own being good as ever. Same good pictures, closed bill.

Fairyland.

McNeal & McNeal some good team with several good pictures closes a nice bill.

Foraker.

Ed Green, the best single seen here about in some time, stopped the show on several occasions, being really funny in songs and dances, also jokes good. Surrounded by a great collection of pictures. Some good crowds.

S. H. Dudley.

Lee Nicholas, a good single in black face, cut up some great, followed by Bessie Carey, a single, Owens & Owens closing the bill. A nice bill; some great pictures.

Chelsea.

Chadwick & Crippen certainly did sing themselves into favor here. Mr. Chadwick being the best dancer seen here in some time. The feature picture, "The Chinese Death Thorn," a remarkable picture of the Orient and the Tango, reminding one of the song wars in New York on Pell and Mott streets. Miss Jane Stuart and Mr. Raymond Coots still cleaning up best in the city in a musical line.

ALL RIGHT BILL AT THE OLIO, IN LOUISVILLE, KY.

Well the bill is right up to the standard. Well, it is a little out of the ordinary. For the last few weeks the R. O. sign; this week it is still worse. The bill opens with a picture of which manager has had to hang out the S. is the very best that can be had. Mgr. Hogan is the greatest picture man in the show business. He lets nothing pass; gets them all just as soon as they are released, running 35 reels a week. Then comes Skinny Guy Linkie Phil Jiles, singing "If you Don't Like Me Why Do You Hang Around." Then he sells his salve and puts on that awful dance. Well, he screams 'em that's all.

Next is Sanford and Sanford, both very neat and clever, some singing, some talking, some dancing, make two changes costumes being of the best. The male member of the team works straight and makes up well, and the patrons think him very handsome, while the other half is close behind and has lots of admirers.

Next on the bill is that funny little pair of boys just as cute as they make them, Gaston & Jackson, one doing the crow-jain, while the other the dude costumes, nifty and neat, and all of their work is good, but when they put on "You Made Me Love You When I Didn't Want to Do It" they fall out of their seats.

Next on the bill is the mysterious Zin-ga Brothers, who hold the audience spellbound for thirty minutes, telling the people about things that has happened and what is going to happen, this being their second week, making five weeks in this house in four months and is the best box office card that has ever been in the house for the people never tire at Rob and his little brother. Then the bill closes with a big feature.

Manager Hogan books strictly independent, that's why he gets the best all the time.

PHILADELPHIA, PA.

Demise of Mr. Geo. Bundy.

Mr. Geo. Bundy, an old time performer and late manager of the Circle Theater, 1325 South street, Phila., Pa., died at his home in Philadelphia on Monday, Jan. 26, at 1 p. m. The cause of death was due to asthma. Mr. Bundy was a protege of the well known actor-manager, Billy McClain. His first appearance being in the "Black America." He was a native of Washington, D. C., where Mr. McClain discovered him, and engaged him for a part in a comedy skit called "The Black Man's Race." From this he was more advantageously placed in various parts, and eventually developed into an able comedian. With the partnership of Chas. Gibbs, Mr. Bundy scored his greatest success as a comedian. After severing his connections with Gibbs, Mr. Bundy assumed the management of the Circle Theater, where he was in control almost up to the hour of his demise. He was well beloved by all who knew or came in contact with him, being as big a hearted man as he was generous and good. His remains were taken to Washington for interment. Mr. Bundy's funeral was a large one and largely attended; his bier being buried beneath a wilderness of flowers, which were mainly floral offerings of his many friends. Mgrs. Henry & Thomas of the Dudley & Howard Theaters respectively, Mgr. Green, of Cambridge, Md., Mgr. Hopkins, of Wilmington, Del., and Mrs. Anna Segal, of Phila., being in the front rank of those who contributed to this beautiful floral offering. Mr. Bundy will live long in the memory of his fellow men. May God rest his soul. LEW W. HENRY.

LEE'S CREOLE BELLES, LITTLE ROCK, ARK.

E. D. Lee and his Creole Belles are now playing at the Dixie Theatre, Little Rock, Ark. Company will play here three weeks. Will play Pine Bluff three weeks then Monroe, La., three weeks. These houses are being put on a circuit. There will be a booking agent office in Little Rock which will give all acts work coming this way. Get busy and write E. D. Lee at the Dixie Theatre. We send tickets to any part of the United States. Performers will have nine weeks to begin with and lots of houses to follow through Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana.

To Managers and Theatre Owners in Louisiana, Texas and Arkansas—I, E. D. Lee has opened a booking agency to furnish houses with new acts every two weeks. In towns where there are two houses, I will only book one house. Managers get busy and write me for particulars for success in show business you must keep new faces in your houses, and this must be done on a business basis. Don't wait too long as independent houses are all dying, because there may be a competition in your town soon. Some one is only waiting for a chance. Write E. D. Lee, Dixie Theatre, Little Rock, Ark.

S. H. DUDLEY FEATURES BIG ACT. TO PLAY OTHER BIG CITIES.

CAMDEN, N. J., Feb. 4—(Special—S. H. Dudley, late star of the Smart Set and his funny mule "Pat" were the whole show of funmakers at the Broadway theater last week. Dudley was supported by a company of fourteen men of the race. They make up the show as a troupe, a bunch of hotel waiters, a minstrel company and a band. In all their turns they are used as a background for Mr. Dudley's funmaking. He will make all the big cities, including New York, Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville.

PITTSBURG, PA., THEATRICALS.

(By D. P. Dorsey.)

Ora Crisnell and Laura Bailey, the most paular team of the day, players of little plays, surrounded by lots of fun presenting "A Leading Lady Cook." The patrons of the Star are again laughing over the fun of the team of Crisnell & Bailey as if they were seeing them for the first time. Their productions, three of which have been seen at the Star Theater, have become four classics. Those two girls do repeat them with success. But they have a string of stuff that they have not as yet sprung. Watch for it, they say. By special request Crisnell & Bailey are doing "A Leading Lady Cook" this week.

NOTES OF FAMOUS ALABAMA MINSTRELS

Watts Bros., who have been connected with the Allen Show, will be with the Famous Alabama Minstrels.

The Pewees are now playing Mobile, Ala., then to Dallas, Texas. After the Dallas engagement, which lasts to the opening of the Famous Alamaba Minstrels.

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Kinky Doo Trio at Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 4—(Special)—The Ruby theater with Bob Slater as manager and Mrs. S. H. Dudley in the ticket box, is doing a fine business. Some very clever acts are coming here now and the attendance is good. The Kinky Doo Trio reached here Monday night after a long day's ride and were a little hoarse on Monday night, but on Tuesday night they "cleaned up."

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GOSSIP OF THE STAGE
MUSIC SONG

The great Mac Allen, America's famous slack wire act, Boston Theater, Roanoke, Va.

The teams of Gaston and Gaston and Jackson and Sanford playing at the Gem Theater, Lexington, Ky., last week contributed $15.00 to the burial fund of Billy Young **who died in that city.**

W. Benton Overstreet is at the Star Theater, Savannah, Ga., playing with Billy King's Stock Co. Mr. Overstreet has charge of musical numbers and chorus. Has just finished a new ensemble, "The Darktown County Fair."

Means and Means, **the champion chair** balancers, magicians, singers and talkers will open up at the Pike Theater, week of February 2d, for two weeks. With Montgomery and Birmingham, Ala., to follow. Means says, Hello Scottie, Leon and Luke Scott, and Mr. Bob Slater of the Reeby Theater.

NASHVILLE STUDENTS CO. NO. 1.

(By Thos. A. Thompson.)

T. J. Cullegan's Nashville Students' Company No. 1 closed two weeks before Xmas for the holidays. The Nay brothers, Harry and Hurl, visited their relatives in DesMoines, Ia., and returned bringing their younger brother, Lawrence, who is making good singing "Floating Down the River" and putting on a **dancing specialty with** Hurl, which is a knockout. The show opened in Vancouver, Wash., Jan. 11, for three nights S. R. O. biz at all shows. Everybody knows it is now the rainy season out west, where we continually stay. It has been raining for five weeks, but we do nice business and sail right along. Thos. Thompson wiuld like to hear from his old friend Dan Hull. Are you living, Dan? If so let somebody know. Address all mail to 1110 19th ave., North Seattle, Wash.

THE BILLY YOUNG FUND GROWING.

The amount subscribed for the burial of Billy Young, performer, is given below. Young died last week in Lexington, Ky. He was without funds at the time. The undertakers, Williams and Reed are kindly waiting to hear from his friends.

The subscriptions so far are:

Mr. Tim E. Owsley, Mgr. Crown Garden Theater	$10.00
Mr. R. F. Bell, Mgr. Gem Theatre	10.00
Mr. Elwood Knox, Mgr. of The Freeman	10.00
Gaston and Jaskson, Sandford and Sanford	15.00

The Freeman will forward any money sent for the purpose of defraying Billy Young's funeral expenses. Subscription can be sent direct to Williams and Reed, undertakers, Lexington, **Ky.**

AT THE NEW STANDARD—MABEL WHITMAN AND PICKS POPULAR.

Gibson's New Standard Theatre opened with vaudeville Monday.

The Darktown Follies after turning people away, regardless of the fact that this beautiful house seats 1,800 people, left for the west.

The bill is without doubt all-star if anything, topped by the incomparable Mabel Whitman and her versatile boys. No matter how often Miss Whitman plays Philadelphia she always brings something new in song and comedy and dazzling in costume.

The Prampins are as great and entertaining as usual.

Harrison Stewart's new tabloid of ten people entitled "The Boss Boot Black" lives up to every promise of the press agent. Some of our so-called "Greats" better watch Mr. Stewart and learn what expression and enunciation really are.

Lorraine and Pinkey are more than admirable. Some day these little ladies will be great stars, collectively or individualy.

Mr. Ed Hunter was very comical in his "Prison" scene and his "Six Round Bout" is a scream.

JACK BLACKBURN HAILED AS A TERROR.

By the pardon of Jack Blackburn, the colored pugilist, who was served a life sentence in a Philadelphia jail, another welterweight is launched into the midst of pugdom who, five years ago, stood where Gibbons stands today. He was a master boxer with a whale of a wallop.

Just when Blackburn was at his best and mowing 'em down two a week, he got into a brawl over in Philadelphia and one of his bullets separated another swoke from his breath. Self-defense was all that saved Jack from the noose or the final shock, as the custom may be over there.

Back in 1908 Blackburn performed the feat of beating a heavyweight weighing 190 pounds, and then, inside of three weeks, training down and beating a crack lightweight at 133 pounds ringside. His career henceforth will be worth watching. He is thirty years of age. Apparently he is as vigorous as ever. Can he come back? Ring contests alone will decide that. When the great mulatto boxer was at the top of his form, he was sidesteped by boxers of every form. Even Sam Langford passed him up. Not one seemed able **to get past Blackburn's clever left hand, and well-timed** right-hand jolt.

Should the McFarland-Gibbons battle fall through, **the world's welterweight** championship could be settled beyond all doubt in a battle between Gibbons and Blackburn, provided Mike doesn't draw the coor line. **Such a bout would** pack the Garden if the Boxing Commission would rescind its "mixed bout" rule, for which we have never been able to supply a reason.

THE DARKTOWN BUTTERFLY MINSTRELS.

(By W. L. Eldridge.)

The Darktown Butterfly Minstrels, under the management of W. E. Page, is now in the Lone Star State (Texas) showing to a larger audience each night. Our show is a scream from start to finish. With our end men, Helms and Montella, which brings the house to a roar of laughter with their funny jokes and sayings; also Eldridge and Brown as second end. The show is composed of W. E. Pace, manager; Buddie Helms, Mrs. Helms, Miss Lilly Brown, Miss Estella Johnson, Mrs. Sadie Hammock, Mr. John Hammock, J. W. Craddock, Frank Pace, W. L. Eldridge, John Brown, C. A. Webb, J. Slaughter, H. B. Green, Roscoe Montella, Mr. Napoleon Black, Jno. Singleton. Messrs. Helms and Brown take the house by storm when they present their new act entitled "The King from Africa" which is entirely different from all other king acts. W. L. Eldridge is pleasing the people each night with his new and funny monologues. Miss Lilly Brown, the nightingale of the south, is making a big hit when she sings "Some Boy." Mrs. Hattie Helms scores each night when she sings "He Walks Like My Man." Miss Estella Johnson is going big when she sings "You Made Me Love You." The entire company sends regards to all in and out of profession.

W. L. Eldridge would like to get in touch with Edward Alexandra and George Triggers.

THE BROADWAY BEELES BURLESQUERS.

At the Majestic, week of February 9th, The Broadway Belles will appear and offer to the fun-loving amusement patrons of The Majestic two burlettas. The manager is past master in knowing just what the public wants and in his present offering he has far exceeded all previous efforts in this direction and has developed one of the best offerings made to the public in a number of years. Every character in the two burlettas are true to nature and founded on fact, the chief one being modelled about the peculiarities that some particular person has, that has appealed to the author's fancy and may be readily recognized by all as some one you have met. There is a pleasing story well told and the company is not strained or forced but carefully worked out by a coterie of comedians and singers. There are a lot of trained voices in the make-up of the Broadway Belles, and their efforts to please by the rendition of only the latest musical gems will be appreciated. There is a chorus of twenty dazzling young ladies who appear in many different songs and dances and display their figures in beautiful and costly gowns. Everything in its entirety is carried by this company. All the scenery used in the production, all the electrical and mechanical effects novel in nature were built and made expressly for the Broadway Belles company.

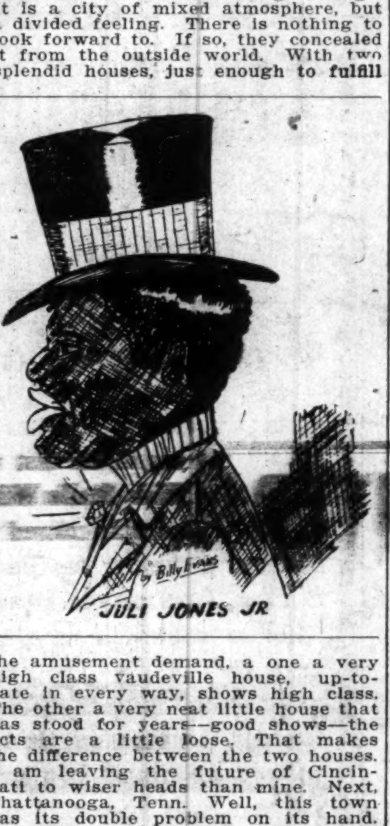
FROM CHICAGO TO ATLANTA.

(By Juli Jones, Jr.)

From Chicago, Ill., to Atlanta, Ga., is not much of a travel, but it's worth while. My first Jacksonville, Ill., business with Mallony Bros., the famed showmen. Jacksonville, Ill., is not a show town. On the other hand the colored man is doing better there than in any of the small towns in the north. The Mallonys are leaders in the business and social world. My next stand Indianapolis, Ind., the standout city—the one city in the U. S. that has a few Psalms. The classes and the masses mix better than any small town in this country or as far as I have been. Indianapolis boasts of more colored newspapers than any city in the country, the best Y. M. C. A. in America, more theaters under colored management than any of the other cities. The 5c houses are all under colored control, well managed, the one colored vaudeville house is well managed from back to front, has the best mannered acts. The shows are clean. Next, Dayton, Ohio, the city that has just come from under the flood, dropped into reform. From the outlook the reform may do all concerned good. There is two houses in Dayton, one run by a white man with a colored manager, another run by a colored man, managed by a white man. In this case honors are even. One is called a clean house, the other go as you please. It takes these two contrasts to make the business. The audience mix well in the free for all house. There is as many whites as there are colored at every performance. Dayton has a future.

Next stand, Cincinnati, Ohio. This is the town among towns from every angle. It don't impress a stranger and will never unless things change. It is a city of mixed atmosphere, but a divided feeling. There is nothing to look forward to. If so, they concealed it from the outside world. With two splendid houses, just enough to **fulfill** the amusement demand, a one a very high class vaudeville house, up-to-date in every way, shows high class. The other a very neat little house that has stood for years—good shows—the acts are a little loose. That makes the difference between the two houses. I am leaving the future of Cincinnati to wiser heads than mine. Next, Chattanooga, Tenn. Well, this town has its double problem on its hand. It will take a theater to solve it. There is three picture houses, one vaudeville stock house, all owned and controlled by white men who treat their patrons nice. All of these houses are supported by the middle and lower class. The better class never attend the vaudeville house. **Yet there is not such a feeling. If** there was a nice vaudeville house that both classes would mass together the one failure to bring them together will not stand as an impossible thing. Information from a reliable source that Chattanooga will have a new theater owned and operated by colored men. Chattanooga has a bright future, that Godsend closing up what looked like a thousand saloons operated by ordinary white men for colored gentlemen. My next stand, Athens, Ga. This little city has some history that is worth while, and lots of other very good things the colored man is looked upon with less contempt. One feels a little like at home. The business men are very limited, but enough to attend to what business there is here. Fine churches, nice residences, a very fine opera house and office building. The theater is the finest I have seen next to the Grand in Chicago and the Lincoln in Cincinnati The theater and the churches are not all that makes Athens one of America's greatest southern cities. The little burg brags with delight of it's being the birthplace of three great Negro showmen—Bob Cole, Tommy Carter and Barry Carter. Funny, too, all of their names start with the letter C. After carefully looking over the field of birthplaces according to there sizes Athens, Ga. stands out, not taking any honor from Indianapolis, Ind., whom in the past was an incubator for permormers. The sons of Athens stand out like the great sons of Athens, Greece, in other words Bob Cole alone did stand shoulders with any writer or producer the country ever produced and carried the handicap of color into the field of writers and producers. His work was equal to that of Geo. M. Cohan. Did more to raise the impossible colored actor out of the mire than any one. His shows and songs will live a long time on the forgetful colored man's mind. Let's pass Bob Cole for the present to Tommy Carter, Athen's son. Too bad he is unknown to half of the amusement world under cork with a white show, but one the best burlesque comedians on the stage. Barrington Carter, another son, of Athens, whom has headed some of the biggest vaudeville bills east, and was known as Carter & Buaford. Act beautiful. Athens has given her share to world from stageland standpoint. My next stand, Atlanta, Ga. Well, this is the centerpole of the big show, the most wonderful field in the world. First thing, a triple line deeply drawn—the white man against the black man, the color line among the black, the black classes and against the black masses. Atlanta would be the proper spot for Zangwill melting to do its best work. I don't think that their's enough fire on this earth to mould the colored people in Atlanta into one solid mass. The progress that is heralded out to the world is only moderate, considering everything from the outside. It looks as if the colored man in Atlanta has just begun to wake up. The Odd Fellows bank and building, also the near finished auditorium is a beautiful structure which would do credit to any race. But nothing to pride of or showing for the much styled fifty years of freedom. We will let it rest as a King Solomon temple of the Georgia colored man. Let us hope more will be built soon. The other side is the theatrical problem, and Decatur street, the most talked of street in the south. The street itself is no more than Hester street, New York, South street, Philadelphia; Wiley avenue, Pittsburg; 29th and Annex avenue, Chicago, mixed with Jews Greeks and Negroes. All of the above named streets have there troubles, but none carry them to the good streets. It's only the high toned good people butting in that causes the trouble. The theatrical situation is about evenly balanced. There is two colored theaters and two white managements, according to the class that houses cater to the management is quite in keeping. The Decatur St. and Peaters St. houses would be a flat failure unless they catered to the rough element, which compose a set of young men ranging from 12 to 22, very untidy, no pride, and very foul mouths and few simple, don't-earc young women compose the patrons of the two houses under white management. There is not a chance in a million to reform this band of hoodlums. The acts that play these houses is as bad as their audiences. The Autan theater and Mitchell St. theater are conducted on the modern plan, the audience all of the better class. The tower of strength lies behind a white man named Baily, who is sort of a fit for the late John W. Isham, knows his actor and knows his patrons; on the job all the time. Chicken Reel Braman, the manager of the Majestic, is an enterprising young manager that will positively make good in time. Mr. Cox, the manager of the Mitchell St. house is a fair minded manager that will make good in time also. The funniest thing about Atlanta is the view the colored theatergoer takes on the Jim Crow stand. Some of the best dressed and behaved colored ladies and gentlemen attend Forsyth theater, the Keith house of the city. Jim Crowed by and reason five miles above the sea level to half of the house to set to one side among the lowest breed of colored boys that are out of the work house. The colored boys have little or no respect for a colored woman. The rough whites on the opposite side of the house act like gentlemen when it comes to the colored youth that attend Forsyth theater. The white officer that looks after the double Jim Crow pen laugh at their tricks. Atlanta to the white man is a great city, shows the progressiveness of our northern cities. The white man is not as mean as he is painted, considering the class of Negroes he has to deal with. From the colored man's standpoint something of the unusual will have to come to pass that will have the young Negro boy. The better class of colored people can't set themselves aside and feel themselves saved acting good, as this gang will certainly bring trouble to their doors. The biggest wonder in this world, what was Atlanta when the saloons sold whiskey? Atlanta may prosper for the white man, but what will become of the black man?

To be continued to other cities.



WHAT'S WHAT ON THE S. H. DUDLEY CIRCUIT.

Week of February 2, 1914.

Washington D. C.—S. H. Dudley Theatre, Lew W. Henry manager: Lewis & Lewis, J. K. Price. Howard Theatre, Andrew J. Thomas manager. Criswell and Bailey, Sellmen and Jackson, Perrin and Crosby, and Baby Mack. Foraker Theatre, Davis Bros. manager: Maude Jones.

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Richmond, Va.—Hippodrome Theatre, W. J. Coulter, manager: Chadwick and Crippen, King Williams, Spencer Finley. Dixie Theatre, H. C. Everhart manager: Owens and Owens, Green and Pugh.

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Danville, Va.—Columbia Theatre, W. A. Denlevy manager: Annie St. Clair, The Colemans.

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Norfolk, Va.—Globe Theatre, J. Van Buskirk, manager; Baby Jim, Eddie Green, Smith and Jones.

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Roanoke, Va.—Boston Theatre, H. D. Jones manager: Harris and Turner.

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Philadelphia, Pa.—Circle Theatre: Susie Cook and other acts. Auditorium Theatre, John Smith, manager: Isola Ringold, Taylor Due and other acts.

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Wilson, N. C.—Globe Theatre, J. J. Privett, manager: Hill Sisters.

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Lynchburg, Va.—Ford's Theatre, R. F. Johnson, manager: Hendricks and Lee.

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Beaufort, N. C.—Auditorium Theatre, Allen Parker, manager: Green and Pugh, Smiley and Brown.

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Fayette, N. C.—William's Auditorium, E. N. Williams, manager: Will open on the Dudley time, Feb. 16th.

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Pittsburg, Pa.—Star Theatre, Abe Minsky, manager: The Burtons, Jeffrey and Delyens, Leonce Lazze Johnson.

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The Bijou Theatre, Durham, N. C., Mr. Lyons manager, Charlie Jones assistant manager, will open on the Dudley time, Feb. 16th.

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Murphy and Walker are playing the Dundar Theatre, Dayton, and will play the Dunbar in Columbus with Cincinnati and Louisville to follow.

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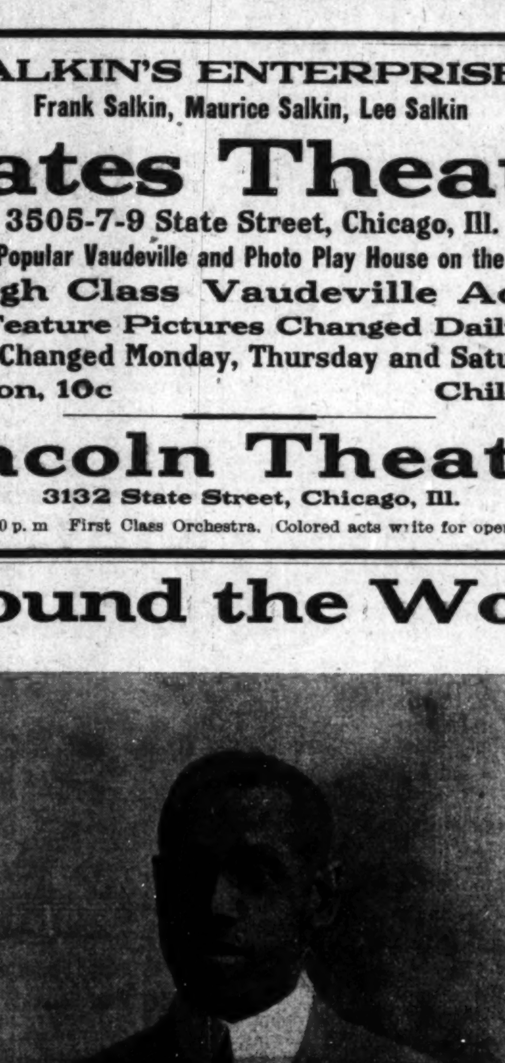

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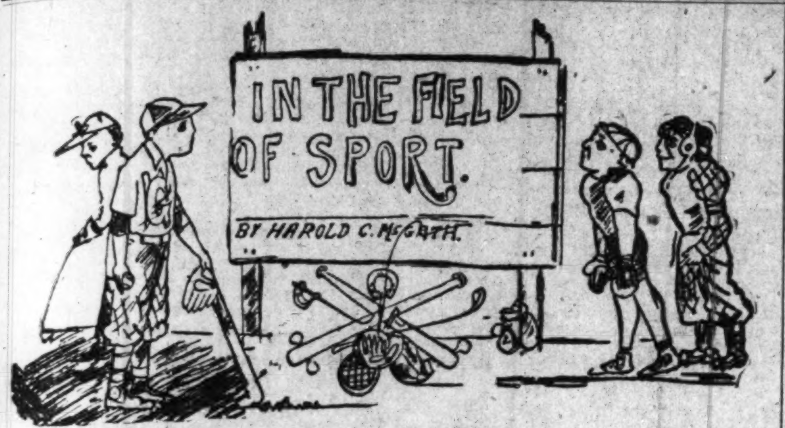
IN THE FIELD OF SPORT.
BY HAROLD C. McGRATH.

THE JACK JOHNSON STATUS.

What They Are Saying About Him—What He Is Doing.

(By Billy Lewis.)

It is now fairly settled as to who Jack Johnson is. But as a clincher I run in the following question and answer seen in a recent issue of a St. Louis publication:

Sir—Is Jack Johnson still the champion of the world? When, where, with whom, and what was the result of his last fight? O. H.

He is still the champion. His last fight was with a negro heavyweight, Jim Johnson, at Paris last month. It was a ten-round affair, and after the fight it was announced that Johnson still retained the title.

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Some of the fight experts are yet unreconstructed, have not surrendered to the inevitable. Enough, however, have given in to insure Jack the title until it is wrested from him or until he defaults it through failure to meet the requirements. What those requirements can be, it is not so easy to see or imagine. The champion practically dictates his own terms. One would think that if he failed to live up to them that it would be cause for forfeiture. In event Johnson died while champion, who would be his successor? Let the sport experts answer that. Perhaps such an emergency is prepared for, if so, I have not heard of it. Who is the Prince of Wales of the fighting business?

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This note was found floating around without particular lodgment:

"Jack Johnson is going back to Paris. Tried to break into England Saturday by giving an exhibition at Hanley, in North Staffordshire, but the newspapers raised such a holler that the leases on the football field to be used was canceled and all the halls barred against him."

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All that's being said about Johnson is not true. However, one can not divide error from the truth. So he must take on all, but of course, with a grain of salt. From the note one would get the impression that Jack is person a non grata in England. And it is not unreasonable in view of what is generally known. More than once I have said England is beginning to feel what the Negro problem means. She has nearly total Africa for redemption. There will not be two hundred plus years as a probationary term. She must deal with the raw recruit from the bush. What's that to do with Jack Johnson's championship? Why, everything. The leading sentiment moulders, the statesmen, the politicians, have given it out that a bad precedent is established when a black man whips a white man. They have in mind the turbulent state of Africa where the negroes are struggling to civilization as a butterfly from chysalis. I mean the portion where England controls; this means many millions. Our race struggle will look like thirty cents when compared to what's coming for that country.

Not long since I gave to this publication a letter from a distinguished colored man, a native of one of the British possessions who bitterly complained because he was not permitted to move into another British possession because of his color, his nationality. If one cares to think about it, he can readily see how this could be. Australia, for instance, does not permit the entry of colored peoples as emigrant. What's to be done about it? Who is to do it? The Japanese question in America is answer sufficient as to the why. California would not be moved in spite of Wilson, Bryan and the whole ships crew of them. What a mixup is in store for England in the awakening of the races! Is it plain why Mr. Johnson isn't much sought after in England? Behind it is a trail of thought everlastingly, and in two directions—past and the future.

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This "waif and stray" was caught up on the "eddying waters:" Gunboat Smith and R. W. Lardner differ in at least one particular. It is Gunboat's ambition to fight Jack Johnson. If it were our ambition to fight at all, we'd rather be matched with one of the proteges of Bob Doran, the well known boxing impresario, said his manager.

Gunboat Smith deserves credit for being pugilistically honest. He wants the title bad enough, but he is willing to come by the straight gate. He does not come as a thief in the night—to plunder—to take from one unaware the result of the toil and moil of years. Whether he wins or faints is another question. I like him because he would fight if he would win. And white men ought to cut it out, taking by force or stealth what does not belong to them. It sounds bad to negroes who in spite of the white man's faults thinks him fairer and "squarer" than themselves. It's shocking to have your idols shattered. One sport writer had this to say:

"Gunboat" Smith, claimant of the white heavyweight championship, who has been matched to box twenty rounds with Jess Willard in San Francisco in July, was a happy fighter yesterday. The big fellow believes Willard is the only fighter he will have to beat to win undisputed possession of the title.

"Although I would rather be matched to fight Jack Johnson, I am pleased to secure a match with Willard," Smith said. "I beat him before in twenty rounds, and I am sure I can do it again. He is a big, tough fellow, but I am sure I am his master. His victories over the other white heavyweights entitle him to a match with me, and I am glad my manager arranged the fight.

"Willard has only one punch, and that is a right uppercut. If he can land with this wallop it is curtains for his opponent. When I fought him he never came close to landing, and I don't think he will be successful on July 4. I only hope I can secure a match with Johnson after I trim Willard."

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As to the origin, or the beginning of Gunboat Smith the following paragraph is rather interesting:

Few people give Jack Johnson credit for any part in the career of Gunboat Smith, but Johnson discovered Smith and Johnson started him. Jack was training for his battle with Jeffries when Smith, just out of the navy, applied for a job as sparring partner for the big black. Johnson gave the gunner a lot of work, as he was big and husky. Then some one started the story that Smith knocked Johnson down while engaging in a little workout bout. It was a good press agent yarn, and Johnson stood for it, as he was willing to get any publicity. He said a lot of nice things about Smith, and intimated that he could hit as hard as any man he had ever faced. It brought Smith to the notice of the promoters and he was given a start in the four-round game in Frisco. He was not much of a success in the short couts, but Jim Buckley spotted him and via the long route has brought him to the top of the white hope class.

It may be that Gunboat Smith is the "legit" pugilistic Prince of Wales. This does not mean a dead certainty of succession. There's many a slip betwixt the cup and lip. And Smith hasn't had the cup any too close to his lips. His chances, however, are as bright as those of his compeers, if not brighter. He has on him the Johnson stamp of approval and that means something. The champ would not have stood for the advertisement that he was knocked down by a dead one.

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That Jim Johnson who has been trailing Jack about in Paris has not been in evidence for quite a while. Of course he will get some kind of recognition out of his scrap with Johnson. To meet the man that met Jack Johnson is interesting not to speak of one who was in actual combat with him. Can't forget Frank Daniels in the "Rag Baby" of years ago. Daniels was the sport and who greatly admired John Sullivan. He had never seen his publistic highness, but he was so enthusiastic for him that to shake the hand of the man that had shook hands with Sullivan was a plenty. So this Jim who ever he is can not escape his distinction. He will be able to pick up stray nickels and as long as he placards himself as having met his publistic eminence John Arthur Johnson, champion heavyweight of the world.

WHAT'S DOING IN SPORTING CIRCLES

Baseball has caught on in Australia. The early days when the game was a curiosity are past. It isn't the number of games played or the space given in the newspapers that show that the American game has found a new home. It is the fact that the bugs now mob the umpire.

When the old cry, "Kill the umpire," is sounded by the crowd it may not be healthy for the indicator holder, but shows that the game itself is in a thriving condition.

In a recent game in a suburb at Sydney a mob chased the umpire from the grounds till he gained shelter in a street car. To make his escape he had to call on a number of friendly collegians. With this episode baseball may be said to have arrived in Australia.

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Racine, Wis.—Johnny Coulon, bantamweight champion of the world, fighting the last six rounds with a broken hand, earned the popular verdict over "Young" Sinnet, the tough Rock Island bantamweight, in the main bout of the show staged by the Racine A. C. tonight.

In the fourth round Johnny broke his right hand by hitting his opponent on the top of the head. He was unable to use his chief weapon of damage during the remainder of the fight. Several times Coulon had opportunities to use his right hand with uppercuts or hooks, but the injury prevented him from landing what might have resulted in knockout punches.

The little champion certainly showed a flash of his old time form. His clever footwork and feinting was in evidence at all time and if he had been able to use his right hand the bout probably would not have gone the limit. Johnny finished strong and in the last round he was more eager to mix matters than his opponent.

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LONDON.—Fight promoters opened negotiations to stage a bout between Georges Carpentier of France and Eddie MsGoorty, the Oshkosh, Wis., fighter. The match, if arranged, may be held in Dublin in March for a purse "of more than $10,000."

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SAN FRANCISCO.—Two Australian liners blew into port, and two rival Australian promoters stepped ashore. But there was no undue excitement over the occurrence. The two men who have come such a distance in quest of American puglistic talent did not tear up the street shouting to unemployed bruisers to gather around and listen to the unprecedented offers that it was desired to place before them.

Each of the gentlemen from "rurrin' parts" knew that the other was around and each preserved a calm, untalkative demeanor. Possibly when they get their bearings the words will fly.

As between the two men, Snowy Baker and Billy Howe, the former is the bigger figure in the world of sport. He has won fame both as a match handler and a referee, and his standing in his home city—Sydney—is attested in more ways than one.

For a few days Howe and Baker will rest and look over the ground. Then they will begin to bid. And the one who bids the highest will command the more attention, providing he is backed by the right kind of securities, and, providing further, he can show the fighters he is a fellow who can get them more money by going abroad than they can by remaining at home.

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PHILADELPHIA.—Director of Public Safety Porter, after a conversation with Superintendent of Police Robinson, issued the following order to all managers of boxing clubs:

"The foul blow, known as the kidney punch, delivered while contestants are partially clinched, must not be permitted. The referee must caution contestants before bouts, and if the rule is violated by either contestant after being cautioned, the bout must be stopped. The rule is simple, and is familiar to all boxing officials, referees and contestants. It must be lived up to absolutely, and the police official in charge of any boxing exhibition must promptly report to the director of public safety any violation whatsoever."

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MILWAUKEE.—Pal Brown, Minnesota lightweight, who made such splendid showing against stars of his class in Australia, returned to the state last week arriving at San Francisco by the steamer Ventura, accompanied by Snowy Baker, Sydney boxing promoter, Jack Dougherty, trainer of Brown, did not come, but remained in Australia to work for Baker. Brown wires that he will be ready for Champion Willie Ritche and all lightweights within a week's time.

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FOND DU LAC, Wis.—Rudolph Unholz, the Boer champion, was knocked out Jan. 29 by Ad Wolgast, former lightweight champion, in the second round of a cheduled ten-round bout after a game but hopeless fight. Unholz took the count of nine four times in the first round and once in the second, and was reeling helplessly around the ring when, after one minute and thirty-five seconds tossed a towel into the ring.

Unholz weighed in at 127 pounds. Wolgast refused to strip and weigh in public, but both weighed in before the state commission before entering the ring.

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Wrestling promoters have been trying for some time to bring Frank Gotch, the heavyweight wrestling champion of the world, to New York for three bouts with foreign mat stars.

From his Iowa home, Gotch, in reply to the New York offer, wrote that he "positively" had given up wrestling forever. His wife and he had gone over the situation, he wrote, and nothing "will induce me to change my mind."

The call of the foreigners and the offer of the New York purses, he said, will never make him leave his farm again. He suggested that Beell and Aemricus get together and let the winner defend the title, saying that he is willing to waive his rights in favor of the better of the two.

NOW OLD WHITE HOPE.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Old Bob Fitzsimmons has kept at least a part of his threat to do a come-back. No one ever accused Knockout Sweeney, of Cleveland, of being great guns as a white hope, but Fitz had enough of the old fire left last night to scorch Sweeney to a mere whisper in six rounds at Williamsport, Pa. He knocked Sweeney down repeatedly and had him all but out in several rounds. Only the bell saved the Cleveland heavy from taking the count in the final session.

Fitz may now be expected to ask permission to take on the New York state boxing commission collectively to demonstrate just how good he is. The veteran who is fifty-one years old, is credited with having shown much of his old-time craftiness and power against Sweeney, but whether this is just a flash in the pan is a question it will take more than one fight to decide.

Fitz thinks he still has it, heart, punch, stamina and all. If he has and goes through even a half dozen fights to victory he will be more than ever the boxing marvel of the age.

THE FIGHTING HYPNOTIC EYE.

By Jack Skelly.

Did you ever consider what an important part hypnotic eyes play in the fighting game? Skilful surgeons have performed wonderful operations on patients in the hypnotized state, the subject feeling no pain whatever, and hypnotism has been successfully employed as a therapeutic agent in numerous forms of disease, especially those of the nervous system. I insert these statements to show the phenomenal power of hypnotism.

Many a great pugilist has the power of the hypnotic eye; those with the keen x-ray optics that seem to penetrate and pierce through an opponent. Almost the same power that the serpent displays over a bird marked for prey.

Packey McFaland's Piercing Eyes.

Have you ever noticed Packey McFarland's sharp eyes when he's in full action in the ring? How he fastens his glare on his antagonist with those small, cunning, dark, piercing orbs of his, that appear to look almost through his victim? I often think they accomplish as much as his fists in defeating some men who are more or less affected by their penetration.

John L. Sullivan's Wicked Glare.

John L. Sullivan, in his palmy fighting days had a habit of glaring fiercely across the ring at his opponent, before the call of time. He had a particularly "wicked" eye, which was certainly hypnotic. Many of his antagonists were whipped by those fiery glares before they even put their hands up for the contest.

I remember how frightened big Herbert Slade was when John L. cast his glowing orbs on him, as they sat in opposite corners. The glare was so effective that Slade bowed his head low in order to escape the terrific dart from Sullivan's eyes. The poor New Zealander was half whipped then and there. In other words John L. "had his number," as they say nowadays. Sullivan knew instinctively he had the power of hypnotism and always used it to perfection. But when his great vitality began to wane this hypnotic strength went also. When I last saw him the fire and glitter had dimmed and all the old time "wickedness" was gone from those once powerful eyes.

Jack Dempsey's Wonderful Eye.

What a true, clear, penetrating eye poor Jack Dempsey had. It was an educated eye; one that could correctly measure distance and make him hit the spot he aimed at. He was indeed a splendid marksman. Besides, Dempsey always fastened his opponent with his sharp eye and held him with it. A sort of hypnotism, as it were. He could look a fellow square in the eye and make him feel that he was the inferior being. Dempsey had what I would call a "dead game" eye, one that would never flinch or wince in battle.

Bob Fitzsimmons' Cold, Steely Optics.

Close observers who have seen Bob Fitzsimmons in the heat of a fistic combat, must have noticed his cold, glittering, steely eyes, that looked almost inhuman, like the optics of some aroused wild animal. Full of fire and fight. His desperate glare often frightened an opponent and hypnotized him. He, like Dempsey, was a splendid marksman and seldom missed his mark.

Jack McAulie's Keenest Eyes.

In or out of the ring, Jack McAulie has the keenest pair of eyes I ever saw in a man's head. They are small, blue eyes that never miss anything around him. He has wonderful power of penetration which he used to great advantage in his battling days. Like Dempsey, he has a "dead game" eye, which has made many an antagonist take to the woods. Some experts may claim this is not real hypnotism, but I think it's pretty near it.

All Great Champions Have It.

In fact I never knew a real, simonpure champion who had weak, infirm eyes. There was John Morrissey with a splendid dark eye, full of good humor, but "wicked" when aroused or in battle. John C. Heenan, who was a splendid looking fellow, had a very handsome pair of optics which always commanded respect and popularity. Joe Coburn had small, quick, savage eyes, which were always full of fight in his younger days. When I last him, he was a faded out old man from riotous dissipation. For Joe fought more out of the ring than he did in it. Especially, when in his cups, he was very pugnacious. Jem Mace was quite the opposite to Coburn. Outside the arena he was a peaceful, genial character. Mace had a fine dark pair of eyes that only showed the fighting fire when in the ring.

Ringmen With Small Eyes.

If you will take the trouble to look over the portraits of fighting men, for the past fifty or hundred years, you will find that the great majority of them had small, shrewd eyes with great penetrating power. In my gallery of over two thousand portraits of prominent ringmen I found this to be a fact. There was Tom Sayers, one of the greatest champions England ever produced. Tom King, Jem Ward, Tom Spring, Tom Cribb and a number of other British champions had also those small snappy, shrewd optics I speak of.

The American Pugilistic Eyes.

The small, shrewd optics also predominate among the majority of American star fistic artists. From Tom Hyer, the first American heavyweight champion down to Jim Jeffries. Among them I might mention with these small eyes are Abe Attell, Terry McGovern, Mike Gibbons, Packey McFarland, Jim Corbett, Young Corbett, Tommy Ryan, Spider Ike Weir, James Edward Britt, Willie Lewis, Jimmy Clabby, Leach Cross, Battling Nelson, Frank Erne, Stanley Ketchel, George Chip, Johnny Coulon, George (Kid) Lavigne, Harry Lewis, Mike (Twin) Sullivan, Kid McCoy, Philadelphia Jack O'Brien, John L. Herget, Willie Ritchie and a host of others.

The Quick True Eye.

The correct human eye is certainly a most important factor in fistic contests. The fellow with the quick, true, hypnotic eye has a most decided advantage over an opponent with dull, slow, weak optics. Nothing quickens the eye and the brain more than skilful boxing. The eye must be educated as well as the fists. They must work in harmony and unitedly. Boxing is a sort of sleight-of-hand performance as it were. You must out-see the other fellow and fool his sight if possible quick actions and unexpected punches. Clever boxers always watch their opponents' eyes keenly. Most men telegraph their blow through their eyes. The scientific ringman always endeavors to puzzle his man by his eyes, as well as by his rapid moves and speedy blows. If a man is not born with a quick, true eye he will never become a great boxer. And if he's not gifted with the hypnotic power he'll never make a great fighter. I have always held that champions like famous poets, artists and composers are born to be great in their profession, and cannot acquire great fistic ability if nature did not give them the proper qualifications.

Fought to Blind Their Opponents.

In the old bare knuckle days when game men fought to a finish on the turf, it was indeed very hard on the eyes. The principal object of a fighter under the old London rules was to try and blind his opponent by keeping up a constant jabbing at his eyes so as to close them. Once a man was blinded he was of course really helpless. The old seconds were, however, rather expert in cutting and reducing the swelling around the optics of a blinded man. They often opened up the eyes of a game man, who fought on courageously and in the end won his battle. I'm glad to say this fierce style of milling is a sport of the past, and ringmen of the present day do not suffer these gruelling punishments, under Queensberry rules with big five ounce gloves. Quite an improvement, to say the least, in the manly art.

HOLLOWAY'S STARS DEFEATED AT BOWLING

Fine Exhibition Attracts Unusually Large Crowd to Batchman's Rink.

Special to The Freeman.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Batchman's Roller Rink and Amusement Palace was the scene for the first bowling match in the city of St. Louis between colored teams, when the Colts defeated Holloway's Stars in a series of three games. The bowling alleys were jammed with a good natured crowd of spectators, which included many ladies, when play was called by Umpire L. Jones. Both teams displayed excellent form as was evidenced by the close score. This match was a forerunner of a series of contest which are to precede a bowling tournament lasting several weeks and for which the management will hang up a large trophy.

The following is the score:

Colts—			
Chambliss, O.	156	135	159—450
Johnson, S.	101	109	134—344
Brown, Wm.	123	148	151—422
Singleton, W.	132	139	142—413
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Holloway's Stars—			
Reed, Edgar	124	102	117—343
Holloway, B.	137	124	139—400
Alexander, T.	80	139	113—332
Pope, John	125	162	150—437
Pickens, B.	113	109	114—336
	579	636	638 1848

Umpire—L. Jones. Captains—Colts, Wm. Singleton; Stars, Ben Holloway. Pin Judge—Ed. Brown. Scorer—J. Beuyer.

Tuesday night, Feb. 3, the Colts will play a team to be selected by Mr. Hugh Gordon. These games are intensely interestly as they are the basis for an elimination contest which is to decide the makeup of the team which is to represent St. Louis in its challenge to the colored teams of the country for the championship. The Batchman Alleys are the finest in the west and St. Louis, one of the foremost bowling cities in the country. Any bowling teams can write the Manager of the Batchman Roller Rink & Amusement Palace, Beaumont & Morgan, for information relative to an exchange of engagements.

A COSTLY COLLISION.

A play came up in one of the big leagues several years ago that caused one of the clubs to forfeit. It is a play that comes up very often and always creates more or less confusion. It deals with interference, and the crowd, as a rule, insists on trying to determine whether or not the interference was intentional.

The play, as it came up in the big league, created a Wild West finish. The bases were filled, with one man out, in the last half of the ninth. Three runs were needed to tie and four to win. The batter hit a hard grounder at the shortstop. It looked as if the latter had a sure double play in front of him that would retire the side and end the rally of the home team. All runners, of course, started to advance as soon as the ball was hit.

After setting himself for the ball the shortstop evidently decided that if he took a step backwards he would be in a slightly better position to make a hurried throw to second. That decision was a fatal one. The runner going from second to third was just in back of the shortstop as he took the step. The two men collided, both going to the ground, while the ball continued its course to the outfield. The left fielder let it get away from him, and it rolled to the fence. All four runs scored, apparently winning the game for the home team.

The game was played in the days of one umpire. For some reason the official in charge of the game was looking elsewhere when the interference happened, and his attention was not called to the mix-up until he saw both runner and fielder on the ground.

There was a big kick, of course. The crowd surged on the field, the home club hurried to its dressing quarters, while the visiting players and crowd surged around the poor, unfortunate umpire. What do you suppose happened?—Billy Evans, the famous American League Umpire.

LARRY McLEAN AS WHITE HOPE.

Baseball Catcher Takes Turn "on Paper" as Pugilist.

Larry McLean, the big catcher, who starred for the Giants against the Athletics, was a member of the Seattle club of the Pacific Coast League a few years ago, just when the "white hope" craze started.

A Seattle baseball writer, on a rainy day when news was scarce, saw a chance to fill some space, so he snapped McLeon in several boxing poses and ran a sensational story to the effect that big Larry was going to invade the fistic ranks. The idea looked good to a Portland writer and he followed suit, similarly exploiting Rube Vickers, the former Athletic pitcher.

Jimmy Hughes, the sport writer who had advertised McLean as a scrapper, showed McLean a copy of the Portland paper which gave the public the idea that Vickers was a future heavyweight champion.

"What do you think of that, Larry?" he said. "Stealing your stuff."

"That comes pretty close to being the limit," replied Larry. "They ought to be ashamed of themselves."

"I'll tell you what we'll do," said Hughes. "Portland plays here Friday Before the game you call Vickers into the clubhouse, get out your set of gloves, put on one pair and throw the other pair at Rubes feet and dare him to put them on."

"That's all right," said McLean, "but suppose the blamed cuss picks 'em up?"

And the stuff was off then and there. Later Larry almost took up the game, but decided he wasn't cut out for it.

SPORT NEWS FROM PHILADELPHIA.

Conceding height, weight and reach, Benny Kaufman boxed a hard six-round draw with Praston Brown at the Broadway Club recently. The colored man was carried along faster than he has worked for some time, and in the first round he was rocked by a right to the jaw which had lots of beef behind it. That made him careful, but he boxed a heady battle and made good use of his advantages. At infighting, however, Kaufman more than held his own and frequently made Brown clinch to escape the blows which were sent to his stomach.

Jack Blackburn was introduced just prior to the main event and was accorded a big ovation. He was too modest to make a speech in reply and was visibly affected when a gold stop-watch was presented to him by Lew Bailey.

In the semi-windup Battling Stinger took such a licking from Reddy Moore that his seconds threw a sponge into the ring in the third round. In the other bouts aJck tSewart finished Jimmy Fox in the fifth round. Harry Corson won from Billy McCue and Johnny Mullen traveled faster than Johnny Bold.

SAY TY COBB IS WORTH $500,000 TO YANKEES.

Figure That Georgian Would Make Farrell Fortune—Is Great Drawing Card.

Ty Cobb would be worth half a million dollars of the New York Americans' money if Frank Navin could be induced to sell his star. This is not a dream, but has been reduced to cold figures by New York baseball men.

The Georgian would be worth more to New York than to any other American League club. IGant fans, who now go to the Polo grounds to see McGraw's aggressive men would be drawn to the Yankee fold by Cobb's unequaled daring and dash. But they are not the real backbone of Ty's probable value to New York.

The crowd of out-of-town visitors, amounting to 500,000 a day, is the factor that would make Cobb worth $500,000 purchase money, and in five years let him earn $1,000,000 for the club.

All Want to See Cobb.

As it now stands Cobb plays eleven games a year in New York as a member of the Detroit Club. He draws, on an average, 1,500 of the great army of New York fans, actually, for the most part Giant rooters. They go simply to see Cobb.

Among the 500,000 visitors in New York daily are at least 200,000 who come from small towns. In places where big league ball is not played Cobb stands for the majors. If a daily average of 1,500 of these visitors does not turn out to see Ty, all estimates are wrong.

With a personal audience of 3,000 a day, at an average of 50 cents each, Cobb is valued as a New York drawing card at $1,500 a day. This is a conservative estimate. Now he plays eleven games in the city. As a member of the Yankees he would play 77 games at home, 66 more than he does now.

Would Be Big Attraction.

At a fairly conservative estimate he would draw to New York's home games just $100,000 a year in the 66 extra days he would perform in New York, a total of $500,000 in five years. On the road he is the greatest drawing card. He would add at least $50,000 a year to the club's receipts, or $250,000 more in five years.

This represents only his personal value as an attraction. But the addition of Cobb would make the Yankees another team. It would be a winner. It might even be a pennant contender, possibly a flag winner. Simply turning the Yankees into a winning club would boost the yearly receipts another $50,000, as New York dearly loves a winner.

If a flag were captured the Yankees would get back Cobb's purchase price in a single season.

SPORTING NOTES FROM PITTSBURGH, PA.

Kid Hoy ad Kid Brown Open.

While we see that Harvey O. Bean (Kid Hoy), the clever Baltimore bearcat and recognized colored middleweight champion, has opened training (boxing) headquarters at Toledo, Ohio, at 501 Lafayette street, we are putting forth a quiet gym. for our colored boxers who come in. As we are in hopes that the mayor will permit some clean sport here, with the assistance of Kid Brown, the clever boxer in the welterweight class, I hope to teach some of my many tricks about the game here. I see there are not many big boxers and that what the public cares for is little men to box. Kid Brown is quite a type of a good man; he does 148 pounds, and while I am his advisor, I push him when I see I am idle, so we are able to take a bout on a ten days' notice, as we are both in excellent shape to put up a stiff match at any time. I answered Kid Sam's challenge from South Birmingham, Ala. I know nothing of him nor Burrell Smith, but as I am idle I answered him. But there seems to be no club to stage colored artists, but should any club anywhere wish to match us boxers we are open to fill any engagement on short notice.

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The Tribal entertainment given at the C. M. E. Church Thursday night for the purpose of liquidating some minor indebtedness of the church was quite a success. The new pastor, Rev. W. P. Pipkins, is the right man in the right place._____The monthly banquet given by Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Floyd at the Cozy Cafe for the elite of the city was very well attended.____Mr. C. A. Johnson of Cushing and Rev. Hursh of Tulsa are here at the capital on business._____Friday was a big day for all the city schools, as there will be promotions and demotions of individuals to the various classes and grades. ____Mr. and Mrs. A. Foeman of Seward, Okla., are visiting relatives in the city this week.

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CITY AND VICINITY.

The Mittendorf dance will be given Friday, Feb. 13th, at Alabama and Twenty-first streets.

Miss Bertha Smith, of Louisville, Ky., is visiting Miss Edith Smith, of 32 W. St. Clair street indefinitely.

Mr. Geo. L. Knox, the editor in chief of The Freeman, has been confined to his home, being indisposed.

The East End Capitol Stock Company opened its grocery in East Twentieth street last Saturday.

The Bachelor dance last Thursday night at the Pythian Temple was a pretty affair and well attended.

Mesdames Joseph Nuttall and Richard Brown, of Peru, Ind., are visiting friends in this city for a short time.

Mrs. Myrtle Pullum Jackson, of Bismark avenue, has returned from an extended trip through Alabama and Florida.

The alumni of No. 26 gave an informal party last Friday night at the building. Wallace Woolfolk is the president.

Mr. Morris Taylor, a student at DePauw University, spent his semester vacation with his uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. A. A. Furniss.

Mme. C. J. Walker was the charming hostess to a brilliant reception given at her palatial residence in N. West street, Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Doc. Easley, who has been visiting his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, at Urbana, Ill., has returned to the city, much improved in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Hardy entertained in honor of the fourth wedding anniversary at their residence, 840 Cotton St., Saturday evening, Jan. 31st. Many beautiful presents were received.

Miss Ruth Guthrie and Noble Sissle have sold their tuneful ballad entitled "Long Lost Love" to an Indianapolis Publishing Co. Miss Guthrie wrote the music and Noble Sissle the lyrics. The piece will be out in a month.

Miss Flora Jackson, of Louisville, Ky., was the guest of her cousin, Miss Edith Smith, of 32 W. St. Clair street, last week. Miss Jackson has been recuperating for the past six month in Baltimore, Washington, Indianapolis and other various points.

The funeral of Mr. Thomas Hill, of Edinburg, Ind., was held at the Second Baptist church of Edinburg last Tuesday. He died at the Soldiers' Home, Marion, Ind. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Robt. Leonard, of Connersville, Ind. Many friends and relatives of Louisville and Indianapolis attended the funeral.

Mrs. Mary A. Scott died at her residence, 616 W. 11th street. She had been ill for more than a year. Mrs. Scott was aged 49 years and Mrs. Alice Payne Robinson has been attending her during last week of illness and the remains of Mrs. Scott will be taken to Athens, Ohio, for burial. Many relatives and friends mourn her loss.

The young men of Steel Bible Class of Ebenezer Baptist church, met last Wednesday night, Jan. 28th. The lesson was the life of Abraham, and was very interesting. The Rev. Jessie T. Wilson, of Hansberry, Ky., was present and gave the club an interesting talk on our lesson. The officers are: J. H. Grubs, president; Irving A. Cornett, secretary; Thomas Crawford, treasurer; Edward Hansford, reporter.

Mr. Arthur Cadozoe, of Chicago, arrived in Indianapolis last Wednesday. Mr. Cadozoe came to join his wife, who had been the guest of her schoolmate, Mrs. Elwood Knox, after attending the wedding of Mr. Harry Morgan, Mr. Cadozoe's lifelong friend at Kokomo. Mr. and Mrs. Cadozoe returned to their home in Chicago via way of Indianapolis. Mrs. Cadozoe who is a very charming lady, made many friends while in our city.

THE DAWSONS VISIT THE CITY.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Dawson, of Duluth, Minnesota, are spending a few days in the city among relatives and friends. Mr. Dawson is a prominent business man of Duluth, and his wife is a leader of society there. They will spend a week or ten days at French Lick before returning home.

MR. GEORGE L. KNOX ILL.

Mr. George L. Knox is suffering from a severe attack of illness and has been confined to his home, 220 W. Vermont street, since Monday. Dr. J. H. Ward states that while his illness is of a serious character, he may be able to get about in a few days.

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Sunday school 9 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. Prayer band meets at 3:30 p. m. led by Mrs. M. A. Sissle. Epworth League 6:30 p. m. Subject, "Gentleness with Vehemence." Preaching at 7:30 p. m. Subject, "Vital World Forces."

H. E. FOREMAN, Pastor.

CHURCH NEWS.

Rev. W. I. Rowan, of A. M. E. Zion church, will speak on the subject of "Christian Giving" at 11 o'clock service. Mrs. Mary E. Wilson, the evangelist, will speak at the evening service. Mrs. Mary Coble will lecture on her trip to the Holy Land Wednesday evening.

NOTICE!

There will be a Lincoln program rendered at Allen Chapel A. M. E. church Sunday 15th under the auspices of Allen Diggers.

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PROF. A. M. HALL TO ADDRESS "MONSTER MEETING."

Much Interest Being Aroused Over the Membership Campaign—Professor Hayes to Address the Boys Sunday at Y. M. C. A.

Dr. Joshua Stansfield, pastor of Meridian Street M. E. church, addressed the "monster meeting" last Sunday, using as a subject Stevenson's short story masterpiece, "Dr. Jekyl and Mr. Hyde." The speaker gave a splendid dramatic presentation of the duality of natures as described in the book and brought forth in no uncertain terms the awful consequences following the indulgence of the lower or sinful nature. Two hundred and twenty-five men were present. A feature of the meeting was the singing of two special numbers by the boys' chorus of seventy-five.

Mr. Wm. Henderson held the boys' interest at their Sunday meeting for 30 minutes with his relating of his experiences on a recent trip to the Dakotas and Canada.

The speaker of Sunday, February 8, at the "monster meeting" will be Prof. A. M. Hall, formerly of Indiana University. Mr. Hall will speak on "The Sanctity of Life." Special musical numbers will be rendered by Mr. Wm. Kirk, orchestral bells; and a requested number by the Y. M. C. A. trio. Mr. Geo. L. Hayes, supervisor of schools, will be the speaker to the boys Sunday. His subject will be "A Boy Wanted."

The membership campaign is now on and indications are that on next Monday night when the final count is made 1,000 members will be the registration, and Indianapolis will still maintain her place of leadership. Forty-three new members were brought in on the first day. At the workers' supper held in the gymnasium Monday evening the men were addressed by Dr. Ward, chairman of Membership Committee. Team No. 5, captained by Mr. Hayes Bransford, and No. 12, led by Mr. R. L. Booth, tied for first place in the number of new members secured. Each had eight to its credit.

The automobile class, taught by Mr. B. Smart, holds the record from the standpoint of attendance. There has not been an absent mark registered against any member of the class to date. The common school branches, taught by Mr. M. L. Stevenson and Mr. Cecil Powell, are increasing in attendance.

In the indoor baseball league race the strong business men's team, captained by Mr. Elwood Knox, are in first place. The standing of the teams to date is:

Club—	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Business Men	3	0	1.000
Seniors	1	1	.500
Dormitory	1	1	.500
Band	1	2	.333
Janitors	1	2	.333
Chauffeurs	0	1	.000

The beautiful trophy cup presented by the Chas. C. Carr Sporting Goods Co. to be awarded to the winners in the indoor baseball league is now on display at the office.

The new basketball league will be composed of four teams from the Senior department. Another basketball league will be arranged for the Junior department.

The interest is at fever heat in the game Friday night between the present and ex-members of the two high schools —Manual and Shortridge.

The Janitors defeated the Bandsmen Tuesday evening by the score of 13 to 9. Mr. Elwood Knox umpired and gave universal satisfaction. The game was played in 40 minutes, a record so far this season.

THE RICHARD B. HARRISON RECITAL AT THE Y. M. C. A.

A Fine, Appreciative Audience Listened to Masterly Renditions.

The lecture course at the Y. M. C. A. has been noted for the high class entertainers who have appeared before audiences from time to time. The announcement of the engagement of Richard B. Harrison for the evening of January 30 caused the gathering of a large, appreciative audience who listened attentively to his varied recital program.

Mr. Harrison enjoys the distinction of being one of the foremost character delineators of today; this without reservation as to race. In fact, there are those of the white race who hold that Mr. Harrison is the only perfect reader before the public. This, of course, means that he is at the top of his calling. He is gifted in all ways that go to make the successful man of his line of work. He is tall, well proportioned, of handsome mould. His face, hair all lend their best influences to his makeup. His voice alone is a gift from his Maker, and which not to use as he does would seem a desecration.

In short, Mr. Harrison is one of those richly endowed men, seemingly as a handiwork of the Creator to show the utmost man. If not that, then he is the result of the combined influences of nature when in their happier moods. I get this summary from what I have already stated, and including his fine understanding, his great mental grasp, picturing to one with startling clearness what he would tell about. To see him, to hear him is to admire him.

Mr. Harrison had much to say of Paul Lawrence Dunbar. They were close friends. He had been of assistance to Mr. Dunbar when struggling for the light. He brought out interesting features of the poet's life which were new; they were also touching, as they bore on the simplicity of that great-souled songster.

The program began with "Cremated Sam McGee." This was an interesting recital of an individual of cold thin blood, who found himself in Alaskan regions. He was with companions, but in the traveling he succumbed to the rigorous weather. He asked one favor. He wished to be cremated. His request was carried out. This was done. It was discovered that the improvised furnace into which he was cast was just the place for him. He was found sitting up, well and hearty on the inside, enjoying the heat; and requested that the door of the furnace be closed to shut off the draft. This was finely done by the reader.

He did "When Melinda Sings" and "Little Brown Baby With Sparkling Eyes," by Dunbar. Here Mr. Harrison showed his versatility. He entered into the smallish ways of characters forgetting altogether his big, robust personality. These numbers were generally known, but not as Mr. Harrison gave them. The audience was delighted thoroughly. "The Party," by Dunbar, was also given. The reader showed clearly that he was impressed with the beauty of that composition. He rendered it accordingly.

The court scene from the "Merchant of Venice" was a rapid change of characterizing. But he took on those great Shakespearean personages with ease. In fact, Mr. Harrison's forte is builded amid the stars. He is then at his best self. He featured Shylock, the character all wished to see portrayed. He showed very plainly the unrelenting, unforgiving disposition of that creature as Shakespeare would have us see it. He made it clear that Shylock wanted the law as it was written. He did not feel impelled to answer why he demanded this strange justice, a pound of Antonio's flesh; it suited his humor.

The plea for mercy was unavailing; the beautiful nugget of gold was set out by Portia to the effect that the quality of mercy was not strained, and the rest of it. But Shylock made it plain that it was not in the capacity of human speech to change him. He must have the law. It was nominated in the bond that it should be so. He spurned the thrice offering—the ten times offering—as a requitement. He would not be moved. This was done with great faithfulness by Mr. Harrison, so well that when the time came for the turning of the table it was an easy matter to carry his audience along with him. The audience was prepared for what followed. The inhuman monster had proved to be merciless, the quality that has residence at the hearts of all men to some extent.

No blood must be shed in the cutting of this pound of flesh away, is the interpretation of the law in the instance by the "learned lawyer" from Padua. Shylock smelled a mouse. He recanted; he tried to make good by accepting the money three times over. It was too late. Baffled and beaten, the Jew leaves the court with his life only left to him. Mr. Harrison left no doubt as to what happened.

His "Raven" was another master rendition. Some doubt may exist as to his interpretation, but none as to the excellent reading. The audience sat in breathless silence drinking in every word, watching every motion until Mr. Harrison said his last line. Here was pictured man in a most beautiful frenzy. It would have been a sight too terrible for human eyes had it been real. But as it was an interpretation one was lost in admiration at the reader's conception—his portrayal—his art.

I should have mentioned previously Mr. Harrison's "When Brudder Moses Put de Rousement On." Time nor space will permit a faithful account of this rendition, as they have not in any of the foregoing. One of Mr. Harrison's selections could well occupy the space I have used for all of these.

The reader called this number a pair of pictures. It is by a Negro composer—Dungee. The first picture is the one just mentioned, the other is "The Knights and Ladies of de Rising Staih." They are satirical and aimed at the shortcomings of the race in the church and in the lodge. It was apparent that much of what he said and did was recognized. The recital was a grand treat—an opportunity.

THE INDIANAPOLIS SECURITY COMPANY.

Will Build a New Church House at Norwood.

The Indianapolis Securities Company of this city are arranging to build a new church home for the Pennicks chapel, A. M. E. Zion church.

The building will be located in Norwood, a suburb of Indianapolis, and it is expected that work will be commenced in April or May.

MISS HERBERT WEBBER MARRIES MR. JOHN E. WILLIS.

LOS ANGELES, Cal.—Miss Herbert Webber, formerly of Indianapolis was married to Mr. John E. Willis of this city January 28th. They will be at home to their friends at the Hotel St. Agnes after February 28th.

Miss Webber is well known in Indianapolis where she was educated. For three years she was stenographer at the Freeman office in which capacity she gave excellent service. As a typewriter she is among the very best. Her mother Mrs. Annie Webber, a well-known church missionary worker is with her.

KENTUCKY'S CAPITAL.

Educational Work in Louisville Shows Tremendous Growth—Other Live News Notes.

(By Hardin Tolbert at People's Pharmacy, both phones 666, box 233.)

Special to The Freeman:

Frankfort, Ky. — Superintendent Barksdale Hamlett, of the Department of Public Instructions, has issued his annual report, and it shows a tremendous growth in the educational work in Kentucky. The compulsory educational system has caused 50 per cent of attendance, which shows a marked progress in the elevation of the youths for better citizens of the commonwealth. The schedule of the teachers' salaries is another main feature, which has been one of the systematic arrangements which has come into effect since his administration. The report is illustrated with a large number of white schools and different departments of their work, and also an illustration of the Christian County Colored School, and the report of President G. P. Russell, of the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute for Colored People. The reports contain over seven hundred pages of the industrial and handicraft work, which demonstrates a great advancement in the educational work of Kentucky. Supt. Hamlett reports is the largest that has ever been gotten out by that department, and which is highly commended by the people of the commonwealth.----The Kentucky Homeless Colored Children Society of Louisville, of which Rev. C. H. Parrish is president and Editor Lee L. Brown of the News is secretary and Miss Bessie Allen is the matron and one of the overseers, this society has the proud distinction of being the only institution in the state, white or colored, that wore her garments as white and as pure as the lilies before the probe committee of the Kentucky legislature, and not one iota against the institution that would lower its standard with humiliation, while the white institutions of the same nature were branded as false. But the Kentucky Colored Children, through their good discipline and management, puts them in a class alone. Through their good management they were able to tell to a fraction of a penny of the $30,000 had been given to them, and some left in treasury. The probe legislature committee announced the institution in a fine shape, and purchased the property in Louisville and had it deeded to the state. The people both far and near can give the Kentucky Homeless Colored Children the Chautauqua salute, and may God the Almighty be their guardian star in the future as in the past.----A great cause is about to be started, the revival service at the churches, and if there is any place in Kentucky that service of this kind would be any more beneficial, we would like to know. The old Christians set but little example, except a few who live up to their Christian documents, and are trying to make every step better each minute of their life. And there is another class that is simply on the roll book, taking up space, and each day carries them closer to hell. This is one of the most critical moments in Frankfort. Are you a Christian, and how are you living? Rev. E. B. W. Curry, president of Curry Normal and Industrial Institute, of Uraba, O., the choice of the great Emancipation Orator January 1st here, will conduct the revival at the First Baptist church beginning the 16th of this month. Rev. S. E. Read, pastor of Ausbury A. M. E. church of Louisville, will begin conducting revival Sunday the 8th at St. John A. M. E. church. These two evangelistic workers are stampeding a great cause, and the people of Frankfort will demonstrate to them that they are for this cause by their presence to the meetings.----Dr. C. H. Parrish, pastor of Calvary Baptist church at Louisville, secretary of Lincoln Institute at Simpsonville, delivered a short address to the senior class of the Kentucky Normal and Industrial Institute. The speaker throughout his discourse encouraged the class to attain for high ideals in life, both moral and intellectual, regardless of what their sphere might be. He also demonstrated to them by concrete examples the great possibilities in life for the persons that was prepared to do the work that was confronting them. He emphasized the fact to deal square with their fellow men, of whom they might do business or come in contact with, and that the right would always prevail, though it might be slow; but, the time is at hand that the efficient girl or boy will be the preference of the unprepared one, so it behooves you all to be on the alert to be the prepared one. The class arose and returned thanks to Rev. Parrish for their highly appreciation for the useful remarks that would be guiding stars to them for success.----Mr. H. C. Weeden of Louisville, passed through the city representing the great Southern Life Insurance Co.----The Rosary, a very pathetic dramatic play, will be at the Capital theater Feb. 6th. Don't miss seeing it.----Dr. W. H. Ballard, State Grand Master of the U. B. F. & S. M. T. was a guest of the city and visited all the lodges. He was given a banquet in his honor, of which Dr. E. E. Underwood was toastmaster of the occasion. Dr. Ballard the well known pharmacist of Lexington, and whose drug store is one of the popular places for all strangers, and is one of the best known places in Kentucky, delivered an address at the hall. In his remarks he talked of the lodge's nine thousand dollar debt the first of August, 1913, when he went into office, and the remarkable advancement under the new compulsory endowment law, and under which they had collected seven thousand dollars and had paid off all debts and had twelve thousand dollars in the treasury. The good work of Dr. Ballard is a record breaker. The U. B. F. and S. M. T. have found in him the elite type of some of the best specimens of an Afro-American business man at the throttle valves of the organization. Dr. Ballard's drug store is the headquarters for Negro papers. He is for the advancement of the youth, and his record in Lexington is highly commended as a Christian gentleman, of which we all can appreciate a man of this standard. A large number were present at the banquet. The program was suspended to hear the State Grand Master make the main speech of the evening. A four course menu was served.----We desire hereby to express our most sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us in the sad hours of our bereavement in the loss of our dearly and beloved daughter, Miss Lucy May Whittaker. We feel especially grateful to all for the many beautiful floral tributes. To Rev. W. T. Silvey for his consoling words at the church, to the choir for the hymns rendered, to the organist, to the pallbearers and Mr. T. K. Robb for the efficient management in which he conducted the funeral. The Bereaved Family.----Prof. W. H. Fouse, principal of the Russell high school, and supervisor of the Lexington Colored schools, has an original card of which he is getting good results from in the educational work with the mottoes, "Honesty is the Best Policy," Franklin; "Intelligent Labor is the Cheapest Labor," "Never Leave Your Employer Until You Have Given Him Ample Time to Get Some One Else." "Aspire, persevere, indulge not," this is the pupil's industrial record of the home work of which their monthly record of credits are made. Five, ten, fifteen and twenty minutes are required for work at home each day and their parents mark a dot in the card in the open space according to the amount of work they do. The daily task credits are as follows: Morning fires, blacking stoves, doing dishes, sweeping floors, dusting, making beds, scrubbing floors, sleeping with open windows, bathing, cooking a meal, attending S. S., coal and ashes for ten hours, cleaning back and front yards, snow paths, family washing, care of teeth. Another motto "To make men of boys, and women out of girls, there is no place like home." Holland. There is an annex of the Industrial Carpenter Department of which Prof. H. Bell, a graduate of the famous Tuskegee Institute, is at the head, in the basement of which has a concrete floor. In this department the case of which the tools are in were made from teacher and student labor, and also the desks on which they work and they have a large supply of tools of which to do their work with, they are doing creditable work. Prof. Fouse has a willing faculty of teachers and is putting original and modern ideas of education in action. The writer interviewed this educator, Prof. Fouse, who wants to have the youth's education more useful to the home and community as well as the school. His ideas of specialization, vocational and industrial education were in touch with the best methods of the progressive educators of today.----Mrs. C. L. Timberlake, teacher at the State Normal Model School, was the hostess of the Artistic Ten Club at their beautiful home on the south side. This club represents high aspirations among the ladies, for embroidery work and similar work of this kind. The rooms were nicely decorated and a menu of five courses were served and covers were laid for the following: Miss Martha Williams, president; Mesdames T. L. Brooks, B. D. Madison, Mrs. Charles Jones, P. W. L. Jones, J. L. Lawson, Sarah Underwood, James Brown, Miss Charity A. Boyd, M. B. Lanier and Miss Clara Coleman. All were elated over the hospitality of Mrs. Timberlake.----Pride of Frankfort Uniform Rank of which Capt. B. D. Madison is at the helm, had their installation of officers at the Odd Fellows Hall. They have begun to prepare to go to Columbus, O., to bring the first honor back to Frankfort. Every member present expressed his willingness to work hard so as to get the juicy plums that are ripe on the tree at Columbus. The new officers were installed by Col. C. D. Dockery. A nice lunch was served and everybody eat sumptuously and enjoyed the repast.----Miss Bessie Cox expresses many thanks for the invitation to the Smith Saxophone Orchestra entertainment that was entertained at Mr. J. B. Harris, and Miss Maud Russell's house, but she could not be present on account of the recent death of her mother, and that she would not engage in any social functions for several months.----Mrs. Lizzie Johnson H. Rosby, proprietress of the beauty parlor on the K. of P.'s building, has well demonstrated kink No More with our people's hair. With all the Nature that God has given the white people, they are constantly doing something to themselves to improve Nature, and why not the colored people do the same? Your correspondent is talking from experience. The treatments of Mrs. Rosby are of the best. There is a large number of young men taking the treatments. Some feel a little bit bashful at the start, but after they first get the treament every one asks "What's the matter with your hair?" you can seldom see a girl with these little grappy shots on their head. The modern girl is having her hair treated. Mrs. Rosby is the wife of the accomplished dentist in the Odd Fellow building.----Mr. Nathan Clay, formerly of Indianapolis, Ind., and one of the first members of the Y. M. C. A. there, is an intelligent and upright young man. He is ever on the alert for the very best of the Negroes progress. Mr. Clay for several years has been employed in the suburbs and is a nice Christian young man.----Mr. Thomas Blackburn and Miss Clara Coleman, of Watkinsville, were married by Rev. Lewis Blyth, of Midway. Much success to them.----Miss Delma Greenup, a popular young lady, has returned from Cincinnati, where she has been spending several weeks visiting her mother and sojourning among friends. ----Miss Christian Bryant has been on the convalescing list for a few days. ----Mrs. W. H. Lewis, of Cincinnati, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. L. Lawson, at the State Normal Institute. ----Mrs. Clara White, a very attractive young lady, is visiting her relatives, Mrs. Winnie Collins and others. Mrs. White is of Chicago.----Your correspondent will put Lexington and Greendale Orphan Home into the limelight.----Mr. A. J. Drivers, the hustling manager of the Louisville Herald, the largest circulated daily in the state, has resigned. The Capital City will much regret losing this energetic young white man, who put the "getup" spurs behind the carriers. Mr. Driver's familiar saying, "keep moving, the people want to read."----Mrs. Dolly Cross went to Louisville to attend "Peg of My Heart."----A concert was given at the Corinthian Baptist church for the benefit of the hospital. ----Mr. and Mrs. Golden have a fine baby, born in their family.----Prof. J. B. Caulder, principal of the Constitution Public School, and auditor of the K. of P.'s, was in the city on business. ----Lawyer L. R. Diggs and Mr. D. O. Robinson, keeper of record and seal of the K. of P.'s, spent a day in Louisville on business.----Mr. Otto W. Steele, manager of the mechanical department of the Lexington Weekly News, left for Howard University, Washington, D. C., to take a teachers' course, Mr. Steele is a graduate of the Georgetown public school, and the State Normal Literary and Printing Department. He is a scholarly young man and has a bright future before him. Before leaving he was accompanied by his future maid, Miss Louis Reid, of this city.----The motion pictures at the State Normal, "As You Like It," were excellent. These pictures are of great service to the people, to give them something tangible and not so hysterical, to learn to appreciate good motion pictures.----Mrs. Arthur Boclair served a handsome dinner to a number of her friends at the residence of their cozy home on the south side. The table was uniquely decorated. A five course menu was served and covers were laid for the following: Mr. and Mrs. Ike Miller, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Henderson of Falmouth, Mrs. Marrie L. Anderson, Mrs. Marrie Croute, Mrs. Margretta Washington, Mrs. J. W. Smith and Mr. Richard Redden. Every one was elated with the generosity of Mrs. Boclair. ----A first class barber is wanted at Mr. J. B. Clay's Tonsorial Artist Parlor, a man that is sober and up to business on his job, married or single on the 60 and 40 per cent basis.----Dr. J. D. Wright, the popular young pharmacist at the Peoples Pharmacy, where the hot chocolates are so soothing, spent a few weeks at his home in Atlanta, Ga., the guest of his parents and friends.----Mr. Charles Wells was called to Shelbyville on the death of his neice.----Prof. C. Eclos Payne, the talented young man, will give a recital in Lexington.----Mrs. Clara Coleman was the hostess of the First Baptist church club at her residence on the south side. A large number were in attendance.----The Royal Neighbors of the World will hold a meeting in Dr. C. W. Anderson's office Sunday afternoon.----The A. M. E. church will give a social at Mrs. Handy's Saturday night on the south side.----Mr. Richard B. Harrison will give a reading at the State Normal, March 5th.

CHAMPAIGN, ILL.

Join the Pilgrim Knights of the World —By Z. L. Bredlove, Phone Bell 1659.

Special to The Freeman.

A secret order organized by the Negroes and for the Negroes. It is founded upon the teachings, doctrines and blessings of the Holy Bible, and has for its great motto, "The Negro for the Negro, First, Last and all the Time." Its great cardinal principles being Liberty, Justice, Unity and Charity. Its object is to better the condition of the Negro and race, and to provide him with means of defense and protection and a shelter in time of need; to promote and encourage race pride and race patriotism among its members; to give all possible moral and material aid to its members by uniting them together, so they may act as a unit; for we believe that "In union there is strength; united we stand, divided we fall." Mr. R. Roberts, Henry Williams and Z. L. Breedlove, representative of The Freeman, were recently initiated into the P. K. O. W.'s, Twin City Lodge Number 4. ----The Freeman is on sale at 32 N. Hickory street.----Household of Ruth No. 237, G. U. O. Y. O. F., celebrated its ninth anniversary and installed officers at South Imperial hall. A representative of the citizens and H. of R. No. 496 and Odd Fellows lodge No. 2757 and Danville H. of R. No. 1143 attended. The hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion with palms and potted plants and cut flowers. The principal speaker was Mrs. E. J. Caldwell, D. G. M. N. G., of Eden district Grand H. of R. No. 18, of Illinois and Wisconsin. The program was concluded with the installation of the officers and a fine luncheon was served free. The committee on arrangements were: Mrs. E. T. Dean, chairman; Mrs. Clara Harris, treasurer; Mrs. Janette Martin, secretary; Mrs. S. N. Nichols and Mrs. Malinda Anderson.----Insure yourself against sickness and accident. The Home Protective Association, office 32 N. Hickory street.----Probably the oldest resident of Champaign county passed away at 4 o'clock Friday evening, when Mrs. Kitty Anderson died at the county farm, rounding out a lifetime of five score and seven years, almost twice the scriptural appraisement of the life of a human. Mrs. Anderson fell and broke one of her legs last Monday night when she stumbled as she was attempting to get out of bed and since that time has been failing rapidly owing to a weak heart. The shock resulting in her death. Mrs. Anderson had been an inmate at the county farm for the last six months. She came to Champaign about a year ago from St. Louis, where she had spent most of her life. A son James Anderson, who is 75 or 80 years of age, survives, residing at 209 N. Oak street, Champaign. He says he has some documents that were signed when his mother was about two years of age, that prove her to be at least 105 years of age, and that 107 is her correct age. The deceased, previous to the accident Monday, had been in good health except for heart weakness and ate well. She seemed to remember well, although her mind wandered much. She seemed to live in the past. The remains were interred Saturday afternoon at the county cemetery, the services being conducted at 3 o'clock in the farm chapel.----Husbands will agree when we consider woman's extravagant desires. We are inclined to think that Eve was made from a wishbone instead of a rib.----Mrs. Dinna Doss and her daughter, Irene Doss, have returned to their home on E. Columbia ave. last week after a month's visit in Memphis, Tenn., their former home.----Rev. J. M. Owens, Rev. Simon and wife and Rev. Wallace were entertained at dinner Friday at the residence of Mrs. Folks, 802 N. Popular street.----Z. L. Breedlove was in Monticello Thursday, being called there on business. ----Mrs. E. M. Caldwell, D. G. M. N. G., was in town Tuesday on official business. Mrs. Caldwell addressed the members of Household of Ruth lodge No. 496 at Carey's Hall, Tuesday evening. A reception being given in her honor. Instrumental music was furnished by Mrs. C. J. Chaners and Mrs. Edward Lee. Mrs. C. I. Green had charge of the affair.----There was a birthday party given on Bailey and Ernest Hite at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Bailey Hite, at 1206 W. Dublin street, Urbana, Friday evening. Music and games were among the main features. Refreshments were served and everyone enjoyed themselves in the superlative degree. Those present were Misses Mary Koonis, Lizzie Blankenberger, Mazella Barnett, Minnie Sandford, Cornie Mitchell, Mabel Smith, Alice Mitchell, Turzy Jackson, Fridea Galdric and Oteaiah Smith. U. B. Gray, Clarence Greer, Virgil Merrill, David Glass, Charles Edwards, Governor Hines, Edo Curtis, Leon Shelton, Bookert Brown, Willie Martens, Riley Brown, Earthel Autrie, Willie Hite, Gordy Jackson, Willie Giles, Hurtis Pierson, Percy Giles, George Giles, George Barnett, Curtis Merrill, Sylvester Edwards, Herbert Rogers, Harvey and Leslie Hite.----Bethel church—"Results of Righteousness in Man's Life" was the theme at the Sunday morning service. At the evening service the topic was "The Man Who is Blessed."----Salem Baptist—Rev. Wallace, of Henderson, Ky., preached at 11 a. m., subject, "Sowing and Reaping." Rev. Wallace preached at 8 p. m., subject, "What Think Ye of Christ?"

NEWS OF FULTON, KY.

(By J. L. Northington, 306 Holder St.)

Special to the Freeman.

Mrs. Annie Darden is much improved from her recent illness.----Rev. A. J. Massey spent Thursday in Clinton, Ky., on business.----Mr. Melvin Gibbs is reported better at this writing. He has been suffering with a sprained ankle. ----Mr. Bennie Curd spent Sunday in Dresden, Tenn., visiting his brother, Mr. Jean Curd.----Mrs. Mattie Carter left Sunday for Mayfield, Ky., to visit relatives and friends.----Mr. Walter Crutchfield is reported better at this writing.----Miss Ruth Harris left Sunday accompanied by Dr. J. Q. Parr for Nashville, Tenn., to undergo an operation. Miss Harris has been in ill health for a considerable length of time and it is hoped that this operation may have its desired effect in restoring her health.----Mr. Sam Quinn left Sunday for Paducah, Ky., to visit relatives.----Mr. Aaron Franklin and A. D. Robertson spent a few days in St. Louis, Mo., this week.----Prof. I. B. Thomas, of Mayfield, Ky., was in our city Thursday on business.---- Mrs. Mabel White is slightly ill at this writing.----Mr. George Woodson is slowly improving from his long period of illness.----Mr. and Mrs. Owen Harris spent a few days in Ripley, Tenn., last week on business.----Mrs. Minerva Pritchard returned last week from a visit to Paris and Cottage Grove, Tenn. She reports a pleasant trip.----Miss Tina Mott reports a good school at Roach school house. The writer and the many friends of Miss Mott are glad to head this report and wish for her the greatest possible success.----Rev. W. A. Smith filled his appointment in Greenfield, Tenn., Sunday.----Mrs. Clara Mai Avery spent Sunday in Union City, Tenn.----Misses Roberta Rose and Christine McClory, Messrs. Robert Johnson, Clyde Osborne, George Mott, and Mayford Conner spent Sunday in Martin, Tenn. Mrs. Emma Carter is much improved from her illness at this writing.---- Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Dixon attended the quarterly meeting of the F. W. B. churches at Cairo, Ill., last week. They report an interesting session and a pleasant stay.----Mr. Leroy Wright, of Cairo, Ill., was the guest of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Priscilla Lomax this week. ----Mrs. Annie Dinwiddie died Thursday from a complication of diseases and old age. Funeral and burial took place Friday at the city cemetery.---- Mr. Emmerson Darnell and Miss Arlie McKenzie were happily united in marriage Sunday evening at the home of the bride on Third street, Rev. W. W. Atchison officiating.----Rev. G. W. Stoner presiding elder of the C. M. E. churches, held his quarterly conference with Belle Chapel C. M. E. church Sunday.----Mr. Eulysse Ivory has opened a nice grocery in the Jackson building on Lake street extension. Mr. Ivory should be encouraged and patronized in his first effort at business. We should remember him when we need groceries.----The members of Belle Chapel C. M. E. church are in the midst of a great revival. The Rev. Mrs. Harris is preaching to an immense audience each evening. Many conversions have been made.----The Ladies' Aid Club of the Antioch Missionary Baptist church was delightfully entertained Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Colonel Waters.---- Miss Neoma Cross is reported somewhat improved at this writing.----Mrs. Elmyra Barnes is visiting in Cairo, Ill. this week.----Mr. Leroy Barnes, Lucious Avery, Sammie Rose and others motored over to Union City, Tenn., to a social affair Monday evening.

NEWS OF BONHAM, TEXAS.

(By Bishop Dale.)

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Charlie Jordan is erecting a fine bungalow cattage on E. 17th St.---- Mr. Austin (Tony) Ballard is reported very ill.----The National Cadet Bank of the city is making good at the Pastime theater under the leadership of Prof. E. J. Inge. The band is playing to a crowded house every Friday night. This band is classed as one of the best in the state.----Mr. Alberry McKee is reported better.----Rev. J. C. Ford was in Ravenna Sunday delivering the call of Christ and, too, we are proud to see Mrs. Austin Ballard out again.----Mrs. Emma Steward is getting along nicely.----Mr. Stulette Phea was a passenger to Honeygrove Sunday. He was married to Miss Mary Ella Williams of that city. Rev. Carroway performing the ceremony. Miss Myrtle Phea, Beatrice Phea, Mr. Oscar Hollands, of Bonham attended the wedding. The people of Bonham wish Mr. and Mrs. Phea much joy. ----Mrs. Mollie Kennedy has been visiting Mrs. Ella Baker and Mrs. Ella Smith.----Departures — Mr. Charlie Smith to Dallas, Miss Malinda Hudson to Henrietta, Mrs. Martha Reynolds to Paris, Mr. Ferguson to Honey Grove, Paris, C. Nicholson to Honey Grove, to take school, Messrs. Dave Johnson, Atchie McFarland to Paris, Mrs. M. S. Dejournett to St. Mark, Messrs. Leo Stiggs, Calvin Nicholson, Theodore Nicholson spent the day here Sunday and returned to Honey Grove where they are learning the blacksmith trade. Mr. Henry Yarbrough to Denfrom Sherman, Mr. Will Thomas from ison. Arrivals—Prof. A. J. Sykes Paris, Messrs. Noel Tatum, Joe Casin, Joe Allen from Honey Grove.----Services—Rev. Sturt preached to a large congregation Sunday at C. M. E. church. His subject was "Harbor of Home." Text, Go home to thy friends; second, Home as a refuge; third, Home as a type of heaven. From which he said many good things to his people. Rev. Conley, of Denison, preached at the Second Baptist church Sunday night. His text was, "By the Grace of God I Am What I Am." Afterward Rev. Conley, of Paris, preached from the same text also. It is reported that all of the Sunday schools are increasing in number.----Mr. John Stout is very sick.----In the Field of Sport—The Bonham Tigers have one of the teams in the state of Texas, playing 36 games and losing only 4. Watch them this season.----Fisher Company No. 2 U. R. K. of P. elected the following officers Jan. 8, 1914. Henry Christian, capt.; Amos Alexander, herald; Marshall Shipley, first lieut.; Dorset Stewart, recorder; Bishop Dale, treasurer; Frank Robinson, sergeant; Clarence Christian, guard; Badie Knighten, sentinel; Willie Chance. They will be installed at Denison, Texas, by Brig. General Jno. L. Jones.

LAKE FOREST, ILL.

(By Alfred W. Abrams.)

Special to the Freeman.

The First Baptist church gave a taffy pulling Thursday evening, Jan. 29th. It was a rare treat, being something new to the people. A large and appreciative audience was in attendance. It is a series of entertainments being given by Rev. Hudson for the benefit of the church. He is a hardworker, always trying to do something for the uplifting of his congregation.----The Clover Leaf Whist Club was entertained by Mrs. R. Ellis at her residence on Illinois street Tuesday evening Jan. 27th. The club is playing a series of games to pick the best team to send to Evanston to play in the tournament which will be given in the near future. A nice luncheon was served.----Mr. A. B. Nones spent Sunday in Chicago visiting friends and relatives.----Mr. James Ladill drove to Highland Park in his auto on the 2d. He had a jolly time.----The writer was up in Evanston on the 2d on business and while there he attended the First Baptist church and the colored people are very prosperous. They are building a new edifice and doing a great work in church and society there. About three thousand colored people are in the city among them being preachers, lawyers and doctors. While there I was shown several copies of the Freeman and the leading members of the First Baptist church say that the paper must be in their city for it is the mest colored journal in America.----The Young Men's Forward Movement Club gave a sleigh ride on the 2d. As the ground hog saw his shadow and as the old adage goes we will have six weeks more winter so they commence to keep the sleigh bells ringing during the six weeks.----Mrs. Wm. Jordan has returned to the city again after spending several months in Chicago.----Rev. Stokes, of the First Baptist church preached a wonderful sermon to a large and appreciative congregation. Quite a few partook of the Lord's Supper.----The Dramatic Club of Glencoe gave a concert in the church Thursday, Feb 5th. It was quite a treat. The house was packed. They are raising money to build a new church.----The Progressive Literary Circle rendered a fine program Friday evening. Pres. Verdin is able to occupy his chair again. Several fine orations were said, but the topic of the evening was a discussion between that talented lady, Mrs. Hudson, and Mr. C. Gray. Resolve that the Afro-American is losing his opportunities through negligence.

SHEFFIELD, ALA.

Special to The Freeman.

Mr. Bob Pearsall, an old citizen of Sheffield, was frozen to death Friday night, January 30th and was found Saturday morning near his home south of the passenger station. He was a member of the K. of P. and was buried with that honor. The funeral service was held at the residence of the deceased. The remains were laid to rest at the old family cemetery at Mt. Olevia cemetery several miles from Sheffield.----Mrs. Binford an aged lady, died Saturday after several months of illness. The funeral service was held at the First Baptist church. Rev. W. C. Cawley, pastor, conducted the services. She was laid to rest at the city cemetery.----Mr. Mark Rutland, of this city, who has been ill for several weeks and spent a few weeks at the Dr. Sturo infirmary of Dacatine, Ala., returned back to the infirmary for treatment. His many friends hope when he returns home the next time he will be much improved.

LAUREL, MISS.

(By C. H. Moses, agent of The Freeman.)

Brother Will Jones, a well known citizen, who has been employed by the Laurel Grocery Co. for 30 years as a deliverer, owing to his illness, his place has been vacant for four weeks. His many friends will be glad to learn of his speedy recovery. The company haven't delayed in trying to supply his needs, likewise his friends.---- Monday night after the third Lord's day, there will be a presbytery call to ordain Bro. J. R. Reynolds preacher and Brothers C. H. McGown and W. M. Bleyley as deacons. We pray that the Almighty will grant us fair weather and good health.

WANTED—INFORMATION.

Any one knowing the whereabouts of Mrs. Nellie C. Benjamin will kindly address 244 Macomb St., Detroit, Mich., as her child, Arthur E. Benjamin Jr. is very sick and not expected to live.

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